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PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL COMPANY.

THE following or other first-class Vessels will be despatched for EUROPE:—

Vessels.	Captains.	Tons.	H.P.	Mar. 1876.	
CEYLON	J. Orman	2111	450	6th	Suez, &c.
MYDDLETON	D. Rendelon	2264	450	13th	Southampton.
TRAVANCORE	W. B. Andrews	1900	400	20th	Suez, &c.
PEKIN	W. Woolcott	3777	600	27th	Southampton.
				April	
VENETIA	G. J. Babot	2736	450	3rd	Suez, &c.
SIAM	N.W. Hazelwood	3000	500	10th	Southampton.
LOMBARDY	E. M. Gillson	2732	450	17th	Suez, &c.
MALWA	F. S. Tomlin	2933	450	24th	Southampton.
				May.	
RAMBRDI	A. Symons	3422	400	1st	Suez, &c.
DECCAN	J. D. Gaby	3429	550	8th	Southampton.

Passengers are booked to Malta, Gibraltar and Southampton by every Mail. The Southampton Steamers proceed to that Port direct; but by the alternate Steamers passengers change vessels at Suez.

Passengers to Brindisi, Ancona, and Venice are carried by every Steamer, but proceed by rail from Suez to Alexandria.

Passengers are requested to send their heavy baggage to Managon, on the day of the Steamer's departure, before 10 A.M., in order that it may be weighed and labelled previous to shipment.

A small Steamer will leave the New Dock Head at Managon at 2 p.m. precisely on the day of sailing.

GEORGE F. HENRY, Superintendent.

Bombay, 9th February 1876.

STEAM TO CEYLON, PENANG, STRAITS, CHINA, AND JAPAN.

On TUESDAY, the 7th March 1876, at 3 P.M., from Managon.

THE P. and O. Co.'s S.S MONGOLIA, Captain A. Coleman, (3,833 Tons, and 530 H.P.) will be despatched as above carrying H.M.'s Mails and taking also Passengers and Cargo for Madras and Calcutta.

No Cargo will be received on board after sunset on the day previous to sailing, and no brokerage will be allowed on any parcel of cargo, the officer's receipt for which is not indorsed the Company's Office before noon, on SATURDAY, the 4th March 1876.

GEORGE F. HENRY, Superintendent.

Bombay, 22nd February 1876.

STEAM TO KING GEORGE'S SOUND, ADELAIDE, MELBOURNE, AND SYDNEY.

On SATURDAY, the 4th March, at 5 P.M., from Managon.

THE Peninsular and Oriental Company's Steamship BANGALORE, 2,063 Tons, and 500 H.P., Captain W. B. Hall, will be despatched as above, calling at Galle.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

GEORGE F. HENRY, Superintendent.

3, Rampart Row, 28th Feb. 1876.

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BOMBAY TO LIVERPOOL, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE following or other First Class Steamers of the ANCHOR LINE will sail from GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL, to PORT SAID, SUEZ, and BOMBAY, and from BOMBAY to SUEZ, PORT SAID, GIBRALTAR and LIVERPOOL:—

	From Glasgow.	From Liverpool.	From Bombay.
Tons	H.P.		
UTOPIA	3731	678	22nd Jan. 29th Jan. 11th March.
MACEDONIA	3273	486	19th Feb. 26th F.b. 8th April.

And regularly thereafter, further sailings being arranged according to the requirements or the trade.

All the steamers of this Line carry a SURGEON and STEWARDESS, and have superior First Class accommodation fitted with every convenience.

Passengers and Cargo booked through to New York in connection with the Anchor Line Transatlantic Service.

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FIRST CLASS	Rs. 500	Rs. 350

A reduction of 15 per cent. will be given on Return Passages to all who re-embark by Anchor Line Steamer within twelve months of time of landing.

For Passage, Freight, &c., apply to

W. & A. GRAHAM & Co., Agents.

Bombay, 24th January 1876.

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TO SAIL ABOUT MARCH 12TH.

THE fast and favorite Steamship ATALANTA, A 1, 1,743 Tons Register, will sail as above. Has comfortable First-Class accommodation. Rate Money £40. Apply to

WHITTAKER, MADDEN & Co., Shipping Agents, Bombay.

CONSIGNEES [illegible] TRAFALGAR

are hereby informed of the ARRIVAL of the Vessel and REQUIRED to TAKE DELIVERY AT ONCE of their respective GOODS. No CLAIM of any kind will be PAID after the DEPARTURE of the Steamer unless it be PREVIOUSLY PASSED by the Captain.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

Bombay, 26th February 1876.

STEAMER CLIVE, Captain Burt, from Liverpool.—This Steamer having to-day been reported at the Customs, Consignees are requested to pass Entries, pres nt Bills of Lading, and Pay Freight at the Office of the Undersigned, with-ut whose Endorsement no Goods will be delivered. Consignees are further requested to take delivery of their Goods at the Sassoon Dock in which the steamer is now berthed. No claim, whatsoever, will be admitted, unless passed by the Captain prior to the departure of the vessel.

SIR CHARLES FORBES & Co., Agents Steamer Clive.

Bombay, 28th February 1876.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of CARGO, arrived from CALCUTTA, per S.S. SCANDERIA, on the 25th May 1872, are hereby informed that the Owners have recovered compensation from the Owners of the KILLARNEY, S.S., and that a sum of Rs. 6,695-6-0 has been apportioned by the Average Adjuster to be refunded to Consignees of Cargo who have contributed to the General Average, which sum will be refunded to such Consignees on presentation of their Claims to the Undersigned. If Claims be not all rendered on or before 1st April next the balance then in hand will be remitted back to the Owners.

W. NICOL & Co.

Bombay, 24th February 1876.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

NOW READY,

THE INDIAN TRAVELLERS' GUIDE FOR MARCH, 1876.

PRICE—EIGHT [illegible]

With a New Coloured Map.

CONTAINING, besides the other usual information, the latest alterations in the Time-Tables of the several lines of Railway.

The Guide, having a large circulation among Travellers, by Rail and otherwise, is a most effective medium for Advertisements.

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GRAND FASHIONABLE NIGHT.

REDUCED PRICES!!!

THE MEMBERS OF THE

ZOROASTRIAN THEATRICAL CLUB

Will appear again at the

VICTORIA THEATRE, GRANT ROAD,

THIS DAY, WEDNESDAY, MARCH 1st,

When they will reproduce their much admired Melodrama of

JALLUM JORE.

GRANT ROAD THEATRE.

LEWIS' DRAMATIC AND BURLESQUE COMPANY,

THIS DAY, WEDNESDAY, MARCH 1st,

J. PALGRAVE SIMPSON'S DRAMA OF

BLACK SHEEP.

STEWART ROUTH.....Mr. GEO. W. CAREY.
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PRICES OF ADMISSION.

Dress Circle, Rs. 4; Stalls, Rs. 3; and Gallery, Rs. 2.

Family Tickets admitting 3, at Sounby & Co.'s, Rs. 10.

Doors open at half-past 8. Performance to commence at 9.

TUDOR COMPANY'S ICE HOUSE.

FOR SALE IN LOTS TO SUIT,

1,000 CASES AMERICAN KEROSINE OIL SCREW TOPS.

NOTICE is hereby given that HORMUSJEE EDULJEE SOOKHIA, of Bombay, Parsee inhabitant, has contracted to SELL, Firstly,—All that piece or parcel of Government Land or Ground situate on the West side of Cowasjee Patel Street, within the Fort walls of Bombay, in the registration sub-district of Fort and Colaba, containing by admeasurement eighty-three square yards and six-ninths of a square yard or thereabouts, be the same little, more or less, registered in the Books of the Collector of Land Revenue for Old Ground Rent under No. 237, and bounded as follows:—that is to say, on or toward the East by the said Cowasjee Patel Street, on or towards the West by the piece of Land secondly hereinafter described, on or towards the North by the house of the said Hormusjee Eduljee Sookhia, and on or towards the South by the house of Edulj e Framjee Mistree. And, secondly,—All that piece or parcel of Fazundaree Land or Ground situate in Cowasjee Patel Street aforesaid, in the registration sub-district of Fort and Colaba, containing by admeasurement thirty-four square yards and six-ninths of a square yard or thereabouts, be the same little, more or less, and bounded as follows:—that is to say, on or towards the East by the piece of land firstly hereinbefore described, on or towards the West by the house of Edulj e Jamsetjee, on or towards the North by the house of the said Hormusjee Eduljee Sookhia, and on or towards the South by the house of Edulj ee Framjee Mistree, and also all that the Messuage or Tenement standing upon the said two pieces of land or on some part thereof, and which said Messuage is assessed by the Collector of Assessment under No. 23. Any person having claims by way of Mortgage, Inheritance, Sale, Gift, or otherwise upon the said property, are hereby required to make known the same to me at my Office in Apollo Street, in the Fort, within FOURTEEN DAYS from this day, otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to any such claims.—Dated this 28th day of February 1876.

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Purchaser's Solicitor.

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LIEBIG'S INFANTS' FOOD,

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Have given rapid relief in the following complaints when all other remedies have been ineffectual:—

Neuralgia and Nervous Headache.
Loss of Voice Asthma, &c.
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Sciatica.
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Bilious and Liver Complaints.
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Nervous Debility.

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BAY ARAB HORSE, FOR SALE. Goes well in SINGLE or DOUBLE HARNESS. Apply to "X." *Bombay Gazette* Office.

FOR SALE, an OPEN CARRIAGE, Light and in good condition, and a pair of ARAB HORSES. Apply to C. A. WINTER, Fort.

TO LET FURNISHED, for a YEAR or LESS, KATEVILLE, 117, Malabar Hill. Apply to F. L. LATHAM, Esq.

FOR SALE.—SHARES of the MANCHESTER & BOMBAY SPINNING & MANUFACTURING Co., Ld. Apply to "X. Y. Z.," *Bombay Gazette* Office.

TO LET, from 1st April, the airy ROOMS in Bruce Lane, at present occupied by Messrs. Campbell Mitchell & Co. Rent moderate. Apply to Forbes & Co.

ANY person having a good second-hand BILLIARD TABLE for sale may hear of a purchaser by addressing Honorary Secretary, Chess Club, Rampart Row.

QUALIFIED MEDICAL OFFICER WANTED IMMEDIATELY to TAKE CHARGE of EMIGRANTS from PONDICHERRY to BOURBON and back. Apply JAMES MACKINTOSH & Co., Elphinstone Circle.

WINES, SPIRITS, BEER, &c.,

PRICE LIST of WINES, &c., FOR SALE at the Godowns of the Undersigned:—

CLARETS.

Pere Labet St. Estephe Medoc	Rs.	9 per doz. qts.
St. Estephe	"	10 "
Chateau de Franda (H. & C. Balaresque)	"	14 "
Les Canons do.	"	16 "
Chateau St. Julien	"	16 "
Chateau Leoville (H. & C. Balaresque)	"	22 "
Do. (Poyferre)	"	22 "
Chateau Lafitte (H. & C. Balaresque)	"	26 "

HOCKS.

From G. M. Parsthann Son, Mayence, Purveyor to H. R. H. the Prince of Wales.

Lauben'elmer	Rs. 15	per doz. qts.	Rs. 9 per doz. pints.
Geisenheimer	" 16	"	" 12 8 "
Liebfraumilch	" 20	"	
St inwein (in glass bqe)	" 20	"	
Hockheimer	" 24	"	
Rudesheimer	" 26	"	
Marcobrunner	" 30	"	
Queen Victoria Berg	" 36	"	

CHAMPAGNE.

Carte Blanche	Rs. 25	per doz. qts.	
Eugene Clicquot	" 40	"	Rs. 22 8 per doz. pts.
Extra dry Champagne	" 40	"	" 22 8 "

BEER.

IND COOPE & Co's. ..... Rs. 5 per dozen quarts.

BRANDY.

COGNAC (MULLER FRERES)..... Rs. 20 per dozen quarts.
FINEST GERMAN ASPARAGUS ... " 24 per doz. tins.

VOLKART BROTHERS,
Bombay, Rampart Row, Fort.

PERINET'S CHAMPAGNES, Rs. 30 and Rs. 45.
A. COLLIN'S CARTE BLANCHE, Rs. 30
ROUYER, GUILLET'S PURE COGNAC, Rs. 15 Pints; Rs. 8, Half-pints.
BASS' BEER, from Cameron & Saunders, Rs. 5 8
DUTCH BEER, Rs. 4-12 per dozen quarts.
ASHBURNER'S AMONTILLADO, Rs. 24.
G. PRELLER & Co.'s EXCELLENT CLARETS, direct from Bordeaux, Rs. 9 to Rs. 15.
BECHADE LAFFONT & Co.'s CLARETS, Rs 8.
Do. do. BRANDY, Rs. 18.

ALDRIDGE, SALMON & Co.

TREACHER & COMPANY, Ld.,

ARE IN RECEIPT, Ex S.S. ERL KING AND S.S. NIZAM, OF FURTHER LARGE SUPPLIES OF

	Cash	Rs.	a.
DANISH BUTTER (choicest quantity) 1 lb. Tins	Per Tin	1	6
CONDENSED MILK, prepared by the English Condensed Milk Company	"	0	8
Do. ANGLO-SWISS MILK, prepared in Switzerland	"	0	9
BACON (on cut 14 annas per lb.); FLITCHES, weighing from 15 to 30 lbs., per lb		0	13
Do. hermetically sealed tins		1	0
CHEESE, DOUBLE GLOSTER & CHEDDER (on cut 14 annas per lb.); whole CHEESE, weighing from 25 to 35 lbs., per lb		0	13
HAMS, (best York and Wilts) from 9 to 13 lbs each, per lb.		0	14
Do. in hermetically sealed tins, per lb		1	4
OXFORD SAUSAGES, large size, Crosse and Blackwell.	Per Tin	1	14
Do. do. small do. do. do.	"	1	1
BOLOGNA do. small do. do.	"	1	4
FRESH SALMON, American	"	0	12
Do. Do. Scotch (Moir's)	"	1	1
FINDON HADDOCKS	"	0	10
FRESH MACKEREL	"	0	8
BOTTLED TART FRUITS, by Crosse and Blackwell.	Per Bottle	0	9
JAMS and MARMALADE	Per Tin	0	8
WORCESTERSHIRE SAUCE (Pints) Lea and Perrins	Each	1	2
Do. Do. (Half-pints.) Do.	"	0	10
POTTED MEATS and FISH	Per Tin	0	8
PRESERVED FRESH MEATS, from	"	0	10
Do. VEGETABLES, from	"	0	7
MALT VINEGAR	Per Quart	0	6

The above are imported direct at short intervals by the P. and O. Company's Steamers from the most renowned British and Continental Preservers, and the management distinctly GUARANTEEING them to be of the BEST QUALITY PROCURABLE (as is the unvarying rule with ALL the Company's imports) solicit a comparison with the quotations of ANY OTHER IMPORTER in Bombay.

Detailed Price Lists of Oilman's Stores and Preserved Provisions of every description on application to

TREACHER & COMPANY, Ld.,

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SHIRTS READY FOR IMMEDIATE USE.

WHITE LONG CLOTH SHIRTS, Irish Linen Fronts and Wristbands. Rs. 25, 32-8, 37-8 and 42-8 per half dozen.
PRINTED CAMBRIC SHIRTS, with Collars attached, neat patterns, and good washing colours. Rs. 36 per half dozen.
FINE LONG CLOTH DRESS SHIRTS, Embroidered Fronts. Rs. 10 each.
"THE NEW OXFORD CLOTH SHIRT," with Collar attached, a thoroughly strong article for rough wear. Rs. 36 per half dozen.
"THE ZEPHYR SHIRT," same material as above, but thinner. Rs. 36 per half dozen.
FANCY FLANNEL SHIRTS, of the best Saxony all-Wool Flannel, well shrunk, Rs 8 8 each.

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INDIA GAUZE VESTS, thin for Warm Weather Wear, half and long sleeves. Rs. 12 8 to 16 8 per half dozen.
WOOLLEAD MERINO VESTS, a good article for every day wear, half and long sleeves. Rs. 4 to 5-8 each.
REAL MERINO VESTS, thicker than the above, and warm for Overland Travellers. Rs. 4-8 to 5-8 each.
ANGLO INDIAN GAUZE VESTS, half sleeves, a very comfortable and cool Vest for wear during the hot season. Rs. 5 8 to 7 each.
SCARLET CASHMERE VESTS, long sleeves, beautifully Warm for Overland Travellers. Rs. 8-8 and 9-8 each.
THICK DRAB MERINO VESTS, soft and warm for Invalids. Rs. 5 to 6-8.
SCOTCH LAMB'S WOOL VESTS, long and short sleeves. Rs. 4-8 to 6 8.
SPUN SILK VESTS, with long sleeves, flesh colour. Rs. 12 each.
PURE SILK VESTS, long sleeves, colours Green and Pink. Rs. 15-8 and 20 each.

DRAWERS, PANTS AND TROUSERS.

BROWN COTTON KNICKERBOCKER, or short Drawers. Rs. 5 to 7 each.
THIN MERINO KNICKERBOCKER or short Drawers. Rs. 5 to 7 each.
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PURE MERINO DRAWERS, rather thicker than the above. Rs. 5 to 7 per pair.
SPUN SILK PANTS, flesh colour. Rs. 12.
GAUZE MERINO PANTS or long Drawers. Rs. 2 8 to 3-4 per pair.
SUMMER MERINO PANTS. Rs. 4-8 to 6 per pair.
SCOTCH LAMB'S WOOL PANTS, Warm for Overland Travellers. Rs. 4-8 to 6 per pair.
DRAB MERINO TROUSERS. Rs. 6 to 7 per pair.
SCARLET CASHMERE TROUSERS. Rs. 10-8 to 12-8 per pair.

BATHING DRAWERS.

PLAIN BROWN COTTON. Rs. 1, 1-8 and 1-12 per pair.
BROWN COTTON FANCY STRIPES. Rs. 1-4, 1-8, 1-12, 2 and 2-4 per pair.

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CASHMERE SHIRTS, with long sleeves. Rs. 5 each, in the following coloured stripes:—
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GENTLEMEN'S FANCY HALF HOSE.

WHITE COTTON HALF HOSE. Rs. 10-8 to 18.
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ROUGH BROWN COTTON HALF HOSE, thoroughly strong for rough wear, Rs. 10 8 to 16-8.
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Also same as above but UNBLEACHED.
FANCY STRIPED LISLE THREAD HALF HOSE. Rs. 18-8 to 35.
PLAIN COLOUR MERINO HALF HOSE, assorted Greys and Drabs. Rs. 14 to 22 per doz.
FANCY STRIPED MERINO HALF HOSE. Rs. 14 to 30.
PLAIN COLOUR RIBBED MERINO HALF HOSE. Rs. 19 to 30.
FINE MERINO RIBBED HALF HOSE in Blue, Pink and Scarlet, with White Silk Clox. Rs. 21 per half doz.
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COLOURED SAILOR KNOT SCARFS. Rs. 1, 1-8, 2, 2 8 and 3.
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BLACK WINDSOR SCARFS to tie in Bow or Knot. Rs. 3 to 4.
COLOURED OTTOMAN SCARFS to tie large Knot. Rs. 4.
COLOURED WINDSOR SCARFS. Rs. 2-8, 3, 3 8 and 4.
BLACK and COLOURED BOND STREET SCARFS, for Pin. Rs. 3 to 4 8
BLACK FANCY BOWS. Rs. 3.
BLACK TIES, from ½ to 2 inches wide. 10 annas to Rs. 2-12 each.
WHITE TIES all widths. 8 annas each or Rs. 5 per dozen.
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STAND UP COLLARS, in the following shapes:—
Surprise, Elite, Hastings, Consul, Baronet, Granville, &c. Rs. 7-8 per dozen.
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WHITE COTTON, for rough use. Rs. 4-8, 5, 5-8 and 6.
WHITE CAMBRIC. Rs. 8, 10-8, 12-8 and 17-8.
WHITE CAMBRIC, with Coloured Borders. Rs. 12-8 and 15 per dozen.
COLOURED and WHITE SILK. Rs. 4 each.

Ten per cent. discount for Cash.

WATSON & COMPANY,

8 & 9, CHURCH GATE STREET, AND 22 & 23, RAMPART [illegible]
BOMBAY.

SALE BY AUCTION.

MENESSE AND COMPANY.

TO-MORROW, THURSDAY, the 2nd inst., Messrs. MENESSE & Co. will hold their Usual Weekly Auction, Sale at their Rooms a quantity of grey and coloured piece goods, twist, &c., &c.:—

1 bale green yarn, No. 40.
5 cases white lenos.
2 " black Italian cloth.
2 " Turkey red prints, 18 yards.
2 " Kerosine oil lamps.

MENESSE & Co.

Bombay, 1st March 1876.

NUSSERWANJEE, CULLIANDASS & Co., MILITARY SQUARE, FORT.

THIS DAY, WEDNESDAY, the 1st inst., Messrs. NUSSERWANJEE, CULLIANDASS & Co. will sell by Public Auction at 2 o'clock P.M. at their Auction Room, Military Square No. 1, the following:—

2 cases papers, 2 cases glassware.
On account of the concern.—
20,000 Havanaah and Trichinopoli cigars.
On account of the first purchaser—
C S | 1-50—15 casks iron-wire No. 16 to 24 each 5 cwt.
H C & Co | 1-40—25 casks iron-wire, No. 9 to 18 each 5 cwt.
On account and risk of the underwriter:—
Ex Alnwick Castle.
J S | 1501-2000—60 boxes candles, each 32 packs, damaged by
C | salt water.
C H C C D | 1-265—19 large rose mats each 1 cwt, damaged by salt water.
A B | 1-10 cases small safety matches, damaged by salt water.
E & C | 456-57, 474, 479, 465, 459 | 6 cases safety matches,
L E A B | damaged by salt water.

NUSSERWANJEE, CULLIANDASS & Co.

Bombay, 1st March 1876.

CRAWFORD AND COMPANY, 2, MARINE STREET, BOMBAY.

AUCTION SALE of valuable and handsome household furniture, plated, glass, and porcelainwares, a solid mahogany square Pianoforte by John Broadwood and Sons etc., at No. 24, Gilder Street, Grant Road.

TO-MORROW, THURSDAY, the 2nd inst., sale commencing at 1 P.M., Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. will sell by Public Auction at his residence, No. 24 Gilder Street, Grant Road, the whole of the household furniture, of E. W. FLOWER, Esq., the same comprises, rich cut and plain glasswhere, handsome dinner dessert and breakfast service, best electro plated curry dishes, ice pitcher, tea and coffee service, large and small oblong waiters, bread basket, cruet and pickle frames, toast rack, butter cooler, table and chamber candlesticks, table spoons and forks, table cutlery, and handsomely carved and French polished blackwood furniture, such as drawing room, dining room, pier, card, sofa, dressing, washing and lady's work tables, conversation and reclining couches, sideboard, whatnot, chiffonier, wardrobe, chest of drawers, gown press, four-posts bedstead, camp-cot, baba cots, drawing-room arm, without arm, easy, low light, American, bed-room and folding chairs, a solid mahogany square pianoforte by John Broadwood and Sons, piano stool, music stand, drawing-room carpets, table covers, railway wrapper, pictures, flower vases, table ornaments, 1 and 2 light hanging and girandoll lustres, bath, dispenser and cookroom furniture and utensils, etc etc.

The above is now on view.

AUCTION SALE of valuable handsome household furniture plated glass and porcelainware, etc., at the Maria Hill, Mazagon.

On SATURDAY next, the 4th March, sale commencing at 1 P.M., Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. will sell by Public Auction at his residence, at the Maria Hill, Mazagon the valuable and handsome household furniture of a Gentleman changing his residence. Full particulars will shortly appear and the property will be on view on and after THURSDAY the 2nd proximo.

SALE OF SUPERIOR FIRST CLASS MOULMEIN TEAK SQUARES, BOARDS AND SCANTLINGS.

On SATURDAY next, the 4th instant, at 3 P.M., Messrs CRAWFORD & Co. will sell by Public Auction, at the Kassara Bunder

About 200 first class Moulmein teak squares
And at the Mazagon Dareekhana—
About 50 tons of teak boards and scantlings of various sizes
In small convenient lots to suit the requirements of purchasers.

CRAWFORD & Co.

Bombay, 1st March 1876.

BOMONJEE DOSSABHOY, AUCTIONEER, NO. 3, MEADOW STREET, opposite to the "Bombay Gazette."

SALE OF SALT BY AUCTION AT MATOONGA WITHIN THE TOWN AND ISLAND OF BOMBAY.

On TUESDAY, the 7th day of March next, (1876) from 1 to 6 P.M., Mr. BOMONJEE DOSSABHOY, Auctioneer, will sell under instructions from the REVD. BRAZ FERNANDEZ, and on account and risk of the former purchasers, the Firm of Messrs. RAJI SUMAR BAUKER of Bombay, the quantity of salt hereinafter described in FOUR Lots of 5 RAS each:—

14 RAS (heaps), each heap is said to contain 16 Annas of salt, 2 annas and 14) maunds, be the same little more or less, lying in heaps at the Salt Pan called "RAWLEE" in Matunga.
5 RAS, 14 Annas and 8 maunds, more or less, lying at the Salt Pan called "VADALLA" in Matunga.
1 RAS, 12 Annas and 12 maunds, more or less, lying at the Salt Pan called "SEWREE" in Matunga.

For further particulars and conditions of the sale apply at the Office of Messrs. JANARDHEN and GHANDHIRBHOY, Attorneys for the Vendor, Royal Mint Compounds.

Terms:—25 per cent will be taken as deposit at the time of the sale.

FOR SALE ON COMMISSION AT THE ROOM OF THE UNDERSIGNED—

Just Landed.

A very handsome new English built miniature landau, painted dark green, lining to match, by J. W. Bettyes, Dalston.

ALSO,

A new miniature landau, painted dark green, lining to match, with lamps, poles and shafts.
1 very handsome English built brougham, by Davis.
One handsome nearly new English built waggonette.
One four seated phaeton.

BOMONJEE DOSSABHOY,
Auctioneer and Commission Agent.

Bombay, 1st March 1876.

NOTICES.

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THE ANNUAL SALES of FERRY FARM and the RIGHTS of COLLECTING ROAD TOLLS and REMOVING SAND, EARTH and STONE from the FORESHORE of the COLABA COLLECTORATE, for the 12 months Commencing April 1st 1876, will be held before the Collector of Colaba at Alibag on the 14th March 1876 and the following days.

ARTHUR CRAWFORD,
President, District Local Funds Committee.

Colaba, Local Funds President's Office, Camp Mahad, 10th February 1876.

USUAL AUCTION SALE

AT THE BYCULLA COMMISSION STABLE,

THIS DAY, 1st MARCH 1876 at half-past 4 P.M.

GENTLEMEN desirous of SELLING their HORSES or CARRIAGES may send them at once to stand at the Stable for inspection of the Public.

ALLI ABDOOLA.

NOTICE.

MESSRS. R. CAMPBELL and Co. beg to inform their Friends and the Public that they will COMMENCE BUSINESS as GENERAL MERCHANTS at

MAHABLESHWER,

On the 1st March 1876.

Parties coming up for the Season will find it both more convenient and economical to obtain their supplies from us, which we guarantee to be of the best quality. As we shall aim at supplying nearly all demands, our stock by the 1st of March 1876 will comprise Beer, Wines, Spirits, Liqueurs, Oilmanstores, Keroine Oil, Confectionery, Provisions in tin, Glassware, Crockery-ware, Cutlery, Plated-ware, Boots, Shoes, Stationery, Ammunition, Groceries, Patent Medicines, Books, Shirts, Hats, Gloves, Perfumery, Riding Requisites, Sticks, Umbrellas, &c., &c.

R. CAMPBELL & Co.

Mahableshwar, 15th February 1876.

COMFORTABLE PHAETONS AT SPECIALLY REDUCED RATES FOR MAHABLESHWAR.

THE Undersigned begs to inform his numerous Patrons and Customers, that he has added a very large number of select HORSES and Comfortable CARRIAGES to his already large ESTABLISHMENT to meet the increasing demand of the coming MAHABLESHWAR SEASON, and is now prepared to perform engagements for PHAETONS, from POONA to MAHABLESHWUR, at the REDUCED RATE of Rs. THIRTY-FIVE per Phaeton including all charges, such as Tolls, Coolies, &c.

This specially Reduced Rate will be available to those of his *patrons only* who will kindly book their orders *during the Current Month*, so as to enable the undersigned to make needful arrangements for supplying the conveyances.

FRAMJEE ARDASEER,
Government Mail Co-tractor,
Between Poona and Belgaum,
Dhond and Ahmednuggur,
Sheroel and Mahableshwur.

Poona, No. 28, Civil Lines, 1st February 1876

ALWAYS ON HAND,
AT
P. GRANT AND SON'S,
2, RAMPART ROW,
SADDLERY AND HARNESS
OF EVERY DESCRIPTION,
WHIPS, SPURS,
AND
MILITARY ACCOUTR[illegible]

SIMPSON A[illegible]
CARRIAGE, BUILDERS,
M A [illegible]
ESTA[illegible]

S. & Co., [illegible]
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BOMBAY [illegible]
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NOTICES.

DISINFECTANT.—THE GOVERNME[illegible]
SANITARY COMPANY have sent a Consignment of their CELEBRATED DISINFECTANT to Messrs. ALDRI[illegible] SALMON & Co. Price Rs. 25 per cask of 2 Cwts.

THE "GLOBE EXPRESS"—SUEZ CA[illegible]
ROUTE.—Prepaid packages forwarded through this [illegible] are conveyed from the port of BOMBAY to LIVERPO[illegible] fast Steamers at the low rate of SIX ANNAS PER [illegible] RUPEES TWO PER CUBIC FOOT. (Jewellery, Watch[illegible] other valuables, excepted.) Large shipments charged at [illegible] rates. For further particulars apply to

WHEATLEY, MADDEN & C[illegible]
Bombay A[illegible]

A CATHOLIC LADY, who has for[illegible] resided for some years in India, but is now settled at [illegible

ERCIAL INTELLIGENCE

TUESDAY EVENING, 29TH FEB. 1876.

porary firmness in our Cotton Market proves to have been quite unwarrant- state of things in Liverpool, the clos- am reporting the market very dull, gular, spot prices, however, being un- ith the exception only of Mid-Orleans 16d. lower. "To arrive" the public quote Good Fair Omra with the G. F. uary-February shipment at 44d. and March shipment 4 7/16d., while from ssages we hear that there are sellers mrawuttee at 44d. andGood Broach at lb., both February-March shipment. ing's market opened unchanged, pro- 8,000, actual imports 18,000 bales. w York advices of yesterday's date ontinued downward tendency, Mid- n the spot being quoted at 12⅝ cents shipment at 13 cents, a fall of ¼ and r lb. respectively. Gold and Exchange are unchanged. The receipts of he U. S. ports are as follows :—

	1876	1875	1874.
ceipts ...	26,000	17,000	26,000
do ...	38,000	28,000	43,000
st Sept..... ...	3,441,000	2,931,000	3,095,000

chester Piece Goods Market remains far as we can learn without change The General Produce Markets in Lon- o unchanged.

his morning are quoted at 94½ French 103.

Silver the public telegrams give no but we hear that private messages cline to 53¾d. per oz. A fall of ¼d. as ve gone lately, is of little moment and dy been fully discounted on this side, ws that the downward movement still

s here to-day has been very dull with a movement of any kind. In STERLING there has been next to nothing doing, are in every respect the same as they terday.

rtnightly biddings for Council drafts ce in London to-morrow and the result ed with considerable anxiety. We

s, on demand	1s. 8 3-16d.	per Rupee.
6 months' sight	1s. 8¼d.	,,
3 ,,	1s. 8¼d.	,,
nts 3 ,,	1s. 8 9-16d.	,,

loutta no business has been done to-day, e are nominally unaltered. GOVERNMENT quiet at quite nominal rates.

HARE MARKET is steady, but only a very business is doing. Bank of Bombays are less in favour and are again a half per cent. lower. Bombay United Spinning Shares are Rs. 5 lower, otherwise our quotations are unchanged.

The COTTON MARKET to-day has been stupid with only a very small scale of business. Sellers continue to ask the enhanced prices of yesterday, while buyers on the other hand are compelled to reduce their figures owing to the further decline in Liverpool. Transactions are said to have taken place in New Mowa at Rs. 172, and in Ginned Broach at Rs. 190 per candy half-pressed, in Akote at Rs. 167, Good Fair Sheagaum at Rs. 156, and Fair Khamgaum at Rs. 139 per candy full-pressed. Up-country supplies continue small. The receipts here yesterday were 7,908 bales, making 16,844 bales for the four days, indicating a probable total of 27,000 to 30,000 bales for the week against 59,103 for the corresponding week last year.

FREIGHTS are firm at about yesterday's rates. By steamer for Liverpool £1-16-3 was done in the morning, but in the afternoon consignees have been asking £1-17-6, without, however, inducing business. By sail rates are steady at £2 2 6 per ton.

PIECE GOODS show no improvement. A slow demand is experienced both in the Bazaar and from first hands, and prices are unchanged.

BOMBAY BILL AND STOCK LIST.

BANKS.

Number of Shares.	Nomi. Value p. sh.	Paid up.	Last Divi-dend.	Banks.	Cash Rates per Share.
	Rs.	Rs.	p. a.		
800,000	100	all	5 p.ct.	Agra Bank	95
20,000	1,000	all	10 do.	Bank of Bengal	1,400xd
20,000	500	all	5 p.ct.	Bank of Bombay New...	693½
4,000	1,000	all	8 do.	Bank of M'dras	1,200
80,000	250	all	6 p.ct.	Chartered Mercantile Bank. of L. L. & China	275
40,000	2814	all	Nil.	Hong. & Shanghai Bank.	3 5
40,000	400	all	5 p.ct.	Chartered Bank of India and China	190
40,000	250	125	5 do.	National Bank of India.	109
60,000	250	all	12 do.	Oriental Bank	515

PRESS COMPANIES.

150	5,000	2,850	900 p.a	Akbar Cotton Press Co..	1,450
300	2,000	1,100	85 p.a	Albert Co. Karrachee...	760
100	800	all	18 p.a.	Albert Ginning Co.....	550
200	1,000	all	...	Apollo Mills Co.....	1,105
150	12,000	11,000	495 p.a	Apollo Press Co.....	3,300
178	1,000	all	60	Bellary	705 xd.
150	500	all	...	Bezar Company (New)...	490
1,000	250	all	43 p.a	Indian Press Co.....	385
200	250	all	8 p.a.	Broach Cotton Co.....	100
1,000	1,000	all	6 p.a.	Commercial Press Co....	1,030
230	250	all	...	Coconada Press Co	15
1,000	1,880	all	700 p.a	Colaba Press Co.....	3,900
1,000	500	all	100 p.a	Dho lera P. & G.	300
800	1,000	all	180 p.a	East India Press Co....	925 xd
150	8,500	all	Rs.300	Fort Press Co	2,000
800	5,000	3,000	15 p.a	Pranji Cowaji Press Company	855
200	500	all	100 p.a	French Press Co.....	425
1,150	1,000	100	100 p.a	Imperial Press Co....	425
3,125	200	850	45 p.a	Mofussil Press & Gin ning Co.....	360
600	2,000	5,000	...	Nool Press Manufacturing Co., Ld.....	1,250
120	.	1,500	250 p.a	Prince of W. Press	700
250	500	400	100 p.a	Ramoon's Press Co.....	360
400	500	750	45 p.a	Scinde Press Co.....	445
100	1,000	750	...	Scinde & Punjaub Cotton Press Co. Limited.	975 xd
250	250	all	12 p.a.	Victoria Cotton Gin and Press Co	600 xd
600	1,000	.	125p.c	Vollant's United Press Co.	925

* Per share, for the ye

SPINNING AND WEAVING COMPANIES.

00	1,250	all	100	Alexandra Spinning.....	1,150
500	2,500	all	150	Allisseo Spinning	2,700
300	2,000	all	...	Bhowanggur M. & F. Co.	1,400
500	1,000	all	...	Bombay United	1,075
400	250	150	10	Bro ch Mills	170
900	1,000	750	...	Colaba Spinning.....	700
1,000	1,000	1,000	p	Dharumsey Spinning	925
1,500	1,250	all	60 p.a	Fleming S. W. Co.....	910
2,000	1,000	all	80 p.a	Great Eastern	10,75
1,000	1,000	all	...	Hindoostan Hemp & Jute Mill Co	250
700	1,000	all	60 p.a	Hindustan S. W. Co.....	1,000
1,000	1,000	all	65 p.a	Jeevraj Bapoo Mills	995
400	200	200	...	Khandesh Spinning	8 0
800	1,250	all	Nil	Madras Spinning	1,050
500	1,000	all	...	Madras Spinning Co.....	1,005
2,500	1,000	all	70	Manockji Petit's..	1,140
1,000	1,000	all	100 p.a	Morarjee Spinning.....	1,190
1,000	1,000	230	...	Oriental	220
600	1,250	all	...	Prince of Wales Spinning	1,000
1,500	1,000	all	...	Sasso n S. W. Co.....	850
1,125	1,000	1,000	90 p.a	Scoundersdas Spinning ...	835
800	1,000	250	125 p.c	Do. do. 1/4 share.	300

* Per share for the half-year.

LAND COMPANIES.

	all	60	Colaba Land Co.....	1,065
	all	...	Frere Land & Pier Co. Ld	75
	1,000	200 p.a	Masagon Land	575
	all	15 do.	Port Canning Land Company, Limited	205

RAILWAY COMPANIES.

£20	16 6 0	6 p.c.	G. I. P. Railway Consolidated Stock .....
£20	16 13 4	do.	Do. New £20 Shares.....
£20	20 0 0	7 3	Ditto .....
£20	21 13 1	do.	Ditto .....
100	1,000	do.	B.B. & C.I. Railway Co.
£16	19 6 8	12 6	Do. New Shares .....

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

THE S. S. ALNWICK CASTLE, 1,1[illegible]S, tons. Captain J. C [illegible]ailand, will sail to-day for Madras in ballast.

HE SHIP LADY MELVILLE, 966 tons, Captain H. J. [illegible] will sail to-day for Moulmein in ballast.

THE STANDARD, 1,074 tons, Captain D. Blacklaw, [illegible]ay for Marseilles via the Suez Canal, with a

[illegible]366 tons, Captain Ashton, sailed [illegible] Goa, with a general cargo and

[illegible]ER PERSIA, Captain Mersillo, [illegible] to Gonoa and Marseilles, [illegible]sengers :—For [illegible]r. Richardson Evans, [illegible]olally and 4 others, [illegible]s and one child, [illegible]s one infant, [illegible]t, arrived [illegible] (Ja- [illegible] Suez [illegible] 11

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SPECIAL TELEGRAMS FOR THE BOMBAY GAZETTE.

THE VICEREGAL COUNCIL.

CALCUTTA, 29TH FEB.

In the Viceregal Council to-day Sir Richard Temple presented the Committees' reports on the Bills to relieve from encumbrances certain estates in Chota Nagpore, and the extension of the Criminal Tribes' Act to Lower Bengal.

Mr. Chuthnot moved the consideration of the report of the Committee on the Bill to provide reformatory industrial schools. Mr. Hobhouse, Mr. Hope, Lord Northbrook, the Maharaja of Vizianagram, and Mr. Narendra Krishna spoke in favour of the Bill. The section for providing for the detention of juvenile unconvicted offenders in reformatories having been struck out, Sir R. Temple alone opposing, the Bill passed.

Mr. Bayley introduced a Bill providing for the management of the public Museum in Calcutta.

In consequence of certain dramatic representations at the Great National Theatre, ridiculing the Prince's visit to some native ladies in Calcutta, the Viceroy has passed a temporary measure empowering the Government of Bengal to interdict objectionable dramatic performances, pending a Bill being passed for the purpose of investing some official with powers similar to those held by the Lord Chamberlain of England.

THE MAHARAJA OF VIZIANAGRAM.

The Maharaja of Visianagram paid an official visit to the Viceroy this morning. A salute of 13 guns was fired on His Highness' arrival and departure. This is a concession which has just been made to the Maharaja by the present Government; hitherto he was only allowed a salute on his arrival or departure from the Presidency or as a Member of Council.

THE DUKE OF BUCKINGHAM.

The time of the Duke of Buckingham's departure has been changed. He returns to Madras on Friday morning by the steamer Duke of Argyll.

COLONEL MURRAY.

Colonel Murray, Officiating Director General of the Indian Telegraphs, goes for two years' furlough on Thursday.

SERIOUS OUTBREAK AT MOULMAIN JAIL.

A telegram to the *Indian Daily News* from Rangoon states that the convicts broke out of jail at Moulmain on Saturday. The troops were called out and fourteen convicts were killed and wounded; the rest were recaptured.

THE GROSVENOR PARTY AND THE KAREN MISSION.

There are rumours of misfortune having happened to the Grosvenor party, also to the Karen boundary mission.

[REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.]

LORD LYTTON.

LONDON, 28TH FEB.

Lord Lytton will leave London on the 1st March. He will remain for a few days in Paris and embark at Naples.

COTTON IMPORT DUTIES.

Replying to a deputation of the Manchester Chamber of Commerce, Lord Lytton stated that he coincided with the views of the Marquis of Salisbury, as expressed to a deputation, on the 24th ult. Lord Lytton pointed out how great was the financial difficulty connected with the removal of the import duties on cotton goods in India.

THE BRITISH COMMISSIONERS TO YUNNAN.

SHANGHAE, 28TH FEB.

Mr. Grosvenor and party arrived safely at Sachan on the 26th ultimo, where they were met by the Yunnan escort from Burma.

THE MAILS.

LONDON, 26TH FEB.

The Bombay mails of the 7th instant were delivered in London to-day.

The heavy Bombay mails of the 31st ultimo arrived at Southampton yesterday.

LONDON, 26TH FEB., AFT.

The Liverpool Cotton Market closed very dull. Sarats irregular.

The London Cotton Market has been very dull.

Fair Dholleras..... 4 3/16d.

The Manchester Market has been dull.

3 per cent. Consols for Account.... 94½.

5 per cent. French Rente 1872 .... 103.

Arrivals—Deccan and Rochelle.

Departure—Macedonia.

THE PRINCE OF WALES.

It is now arranged, we hear, that H. R. H. the Prince of Wales will arrive at the Boree Bander station on Saturday, March 11, and go straight on board the Serapis instead of taking up his residence at Malabar Point. His Royal Highness will dine with the Governor at Pareil on the Saturday evening, and the Serapis will leave Bombay harbour on the following Monday morning.

Captain Glyn, of the Serapis, has been telegraphed for to go up-country to meet the Prince, and he will, it is supposed, be invested with the C. S. I. at Allahabad.

Sir Salar Jung has chartered one of Messrs. Rubattino's steamers to convey himself and suite to Europe. Sir Salar intends to call at Naples and see the sights in some other parts of Italy on his way to England.

It was Mr. Bendel, Consulting Engineer to Government for Railways, and not Mr. Juland Danvers who went home by Monday's mail-steamer, and Mr. Carrey will leave Bombay on the 13th and not the 6th inst.

The precedence list which has undergone a vast amount of shaping and rough-hewing, was not in time for the homeward mail. The Commander-in-Chief, the *Pioneer* states, has returned it to the Home Department.

A telegram has been received from the Prince of Wales by the agent of the P. and O. Company in Bombay, asking him to reserve two cabins in the next out-going mail steamer. It has been feared that the cabins are wanted for Canon Duckworth, whose illness in the Punjab has caused some alarm. Letters have, we believe, been received in Bombay from Sir Bartle Frere, saying that Canon Duckworth's illness is only a bilious attack, and that no serious consequences are apprehended.

Among the passengers drowned on board the Stratholyde are Major and Mrs. Loughman. Major Loughman, of the Bengal Staff Corps, was returning from leave to India. He was one of the Lucknow garrison, with the remnant of his corps, the 13th N. I., and served throughout the defence of the Residency, for which he had a year's service, medal and clasp. Captain Beckett, who together with Mrs. Beckett, was also among the passengers, was on his way out to India, after furlough, to relieve Captain Jasper Burne, who has been acting for him as Assistant Political Agent, Bhawulpore State.

When the Prince of Wales gets to Khandwa on his way to Bombay, he will, according to the latest arrangements which have created some surprise in the Central Provinces, be entertained, during his very short stay at that place, by the Railway Company in the ordinary refreshment room. He and his suite, it appears, are merely to be provided for in their capacity as "distinguished travellers." The *Pioneer* believes that Mr. Morris, the Chief Commissioner of the Central Provinces, had proposed to entertain the Royal guest in a splendid manner.

The Lahore paper says that several heads of departments in the Punjab have been puzzled as to what they should do with the estates of those passengers of the missing Steamer Coromandel, of whom there were three or four who belonged to the Punjab or held property in it. The Government seem to have taken the bull by the horns in the case of Mr. W. T. Lindsay's appointment, and have gazetted a successor to his post, and himself as "deceased;" but we believe the law does not rush to conclusions so rapidly, and consequently the property left cannot be disposed of or touched, until the expiration of several years period has elapsed, when the presumption that a missing man is dead is admissible.

The Right Hon'ble the Governor General in Council has approved the application to India of War Office Auxiliary and Reserve Forces Circular, dated February 3rd, 1875, with the modification that, on the recommendation of commanding officers, His Excellency in Council will be prepared to consider the claims of officers of the volunteer forces in India, retiring after 15 years' volunteer service, 10 of which have been as commissioned officers, and 3 in the rank they hold on retirement, to retain their rank and wear the uniform of the corps on such retirement. The commanding officer's recommendation will be accompanied by a certified statement in detail of the officer's services. This order is applicable to the three Presidencies.

Judges, like other men, are by no means infallible in their decrees. A peculiar illustration of this truism has just come to our knowledge. About two months ago a suit came on for hearing in the High Court (Original Side) in which certain parties tried to prove that a certain Hindoo was insane and therefore incapable of managing his property. The evidence of two well-known medical gentlemen (one of them, indeed, the Superintendent of the Lunatic Asylum at Colaba) was taken, and both agreed that the Hindoo was undoubtedly insane and therefore incapable of looking after his affairs. The Judge, however, decided to put the medical evidence aside and to depend upon his own acumen. He pronounced judgment that the Hindoo in his opinion *was* sane, and therefore capable of managing his own affairs. Two days ago, however, the Hindoo performed the peculiarly insane act of hanging himself; and his friends may console themselves with the reflection that if the Judge Sahib had only pronounced him insane, as Dr. Murphy and Dr. Doolittle did, he might still have been living a quiet life of lunacy in Colaba Asylum. Thus this poor Hindoo actually suffered a grievous wrong because a Judge would not be good enough to call him a fool. Such is fate.

The last *Gazette of India* contains a letter from the Quarter Master General, of the 15th February 1876, reporting the result of the operations of the recent Camp of Exercise at Delhi. The Governor General makes the following remarks on this letter:—It is with great satisfaction that the Governor General in Council has received this report testifying, as it does, to the good conduct and high efficiency of the troops assembled at Delhi; and it has been peculiarly gratifying to the Government of India, as well as to the Commander-in-Chief, that Field Marshal His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales should have had the opportunity of inspecting and witnessing the movements of so fine a body of Her Majesty's Army in India. The Governor General in Council desires to convey to Lord Napier of Magdala, the cordial thanks of the Government of India, for his unceasing efforts to advance the welfare and efficiency of the Army, and for the measure which he has taken to make this and former Camps of Exercise useful for the instruction of officers and men. The Government of India congratulate the Commander-in-Chief on the fine appearance and efficient condition of the troops assembled at the Camp, and upon the approbation which His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales has been pleased to convey through His Excellency to the Army. During the operations Lord Napier of Magdala met with a severe accident; but with that devotion to duty which is so characteristic of His Lordship, this did not interfere with his continued personal command of the troops. The Governor General in Council further desires to convey the thanks of the Government of India to all those officers and departments mentioned by His Excellency Lord Napier of Magdala, for the exertions which have contributed to the gratifying results which have been brought to the notice of the Government.

Some serious errors have been discovered in the annual statement of the trade and navigation of British India with foreign countries and of the coasting trade between the [illegible] Presidencies and Provinces in the year [illegible] the 31st March 1875. A review of the [illegible] contained in the statement has been [illegible] by Mr. J. E. O'Connor, Assistant Secretary to the Statistical Branch of the Department of Revenue, Agriculture and Commerce, in the following Resolution of the Government of India has been passed on the whole [illegible]:—"The publication of these accounts has somewhat delayed, but the delay is unavoidable, owing to the discovery of serious errors in the accounts of the coasting trade of Madras and Bombay for the year and for previous years. [illegible] of these errors is explained [illegible] of the review prepared by Mr. O'Connor. The errors in question in the Madras accounts represented the entire omission from all published statements of the value of the coasting trade between British ports in that province, amounting in 1874-75 to no less a sum than [illegible]. In Bombay the errors consisted of a [illegible] omission up to the year 1873-74 of the [illegible] trade which amounted in 1874-75 to [illegible] of a discrepancy of over two [illegible] between the annual account of [illegible] tion published in that Presidency and the account (Part II.) published by the Government of India compiled from [illegible] monthly by the local authorities [illegible] Cutch, Kattywar, and foreign [illegible] having been omitted from the local monthly returns. It does not appear that any [illegible] to be distributed to the officers who [illegible] the accounts in Madras and Bombay, the [illegible] for the preparation of the [illegible] the Government of India [illegible] misunderstood. On the [illegible] errors a complete revision [illegible] year and for the previous [illegible] necessary, and much desi[illegible] of the volume, which was [illegible] ago as October 1875. [illegible] has been more than [illegible] rectification of vital [illegible] through successive vo[illegible] lished by the Gover[illegible] believed that [illegible] class-ification which [illegible] recurrence of such m[illegible] review of the accou[illegible] comment on the res[illegible] is unnecessary. The [illegible] wishes it to be und[illegible] pressed in the rev[illegible] individually, and t[illegible] is not prepared to [illegible] the facts justify [illegible] drawn from them[illegible] clearly set out a[illegible] and the paper [illegible] and direction [illegible] particulars for [illegible] preceding that [illegible] circulated wit[illegible] the accounts [illegible] general inform[illegible] has not yet [illegible] to be blame[illegible] forms pres[illegible] except [illegible] prescribing [illegible] evidently [illegible] in the ret[illegible] which [illegible] noticed; [illegible] scribed f[illegible] remain [illegible] lecturer[illegible] the terr[illegible] wide d[illegible] Fortun[illegible]

THE [illegible] proceedings of the [illegible] on the *Department* [illegible] in the *Gazette of India*, [illegible] ing a pamphlet purporting to [illegible] report of the debate on the Indian Civil [illegible] in the House of Commons, June 29th, 1875," printed in London in August last and which has been circulated in India, and contains a speech attributed to Mr. Robert Lowe. The subject of the discussion was the position of certain members of the Bengal Civil Service employed in the North-Western Provinces as regards their salaries and prospects of promotion. Regarding these the Governor General in Council remarks that with respect to those passages quoted from Mr. Lowe's speech which is exact, if any meaning is to be attached to the words used, be held to imply that the Governor General of the day is habitually impelled by pressure from the Home Government to make improper appointments, and that patronage in India is made subservient to English party considerations, the Governor General in Council is satisfied that no foundation in fact exists for any such imputations. His Excellency the Viceroy is certain from his personal knowledge of the conduct of three Secretaries of State for India—Lord Halifax, the Duke of Argyll, and Lord Salisbury—whose term of office together extends over a period of 14 years out of the 17 years that have expired since the Government of India was transferred from the East India Company to the Crown, that no such pressure has been exercised by them in the distribution of patronage in India. [illegible] own case His Excellency desires to say that no appointments whatever have been pressed upon him by the Duke of Argyll or Lord Salisbury, who have filled the office of Secretary of State during the four years that he has been in India; and he has every reason to believe that other Secretaries of State have similarly [illegible] from exerting any such pressure. The [illegible], then, if any be justly due for the [illegible] in which patronage has been exercised in India, must rest upon the Indian authorities alone, and this is the sense in which the charges advanced by Mr. Lowe will be examined. The appointments to which the charges refer may be divided into three classes. 1st.—Appointments made to certain offices under the Imperial Act of 1861 (24 and 25 Vic., C. 54). 2nd.—Appointments made to the Punjab and Oudh Commissions, and to the other Provinces commonly called "Non-Regulation." 3rd.—Certain appointments not included under the two preceding classes. The distinction between these classes of appointments is well known to those who are conversant with the law of India. The offices placed in the first class were, previous to the Act of 1861, reserved by law to members of the Civil Service, and were only opened to others under the provisions of that Act. The offices comprised under the second and third classes have never been, and are not now, reserved by law to members of the Civil Service. In the words of Sir Charles Wood's despatch to the Government of India of the 9th of August 1861—

"For all other situations without any restriction, Europeans and Natives, subjects of Her Majesty, are equally eligible under the general rules laid down by the several Governments in India for the supply of those offices which the law does not require be to filled by members of the Civil Service."

In conclusion the Governor General remarks:—The appointments made under the Act of 1861 have been so few in number that they cannot have had any prejudicial effect on the prospects of Civil Servants, and none of them are open to the imputation of improper motives on the part of the Government of India. It has not been found possible to give full effect to the intentions of Lord Dalhousie and of Lord Lawrence with regard to appointments in the Non-Regulation Provinces, because the dearth of Civilians rendered it impossible for a considerable time to establish the prescribed proportions in the higher ranks. The instances brought forward by Mr. Lowe to support his allegation that improper appointments have been made to the Non-Regulation Provinces or elsewhere entirely fail when the facts are examined. The Government of India desire to repeat that in dealing with the statements attributed to Mr. Lowe in the publication which has been circulated in India they have abstained altogether from discussing the present position of the Civil Servants of the North-Western Provinces or elsewhere. They have confined themselves to examining whether there is any foundation for the charges of breach of faith, corruption and favouritism, brought by Mr. Lowe against the authorities in India; and they believe that the facts described in this Resolution will suffice to show that these grave charges are entirely destitute of foundation. It is a matter of great regret to the Governor General in Council that a statesman of Mr. Lowe's distinction and abilities should have been misled into making statements calculated to bring into undeserved discredit the character of Her Majesty's servants who have formerly been and now are employed in the administration of Her Majesty's Indian Territories.

THE RATE OF EXCHANGE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

Sir,—I see the rate of exchange for the year has been fixed by Government at 1s. 9¾d.

Until within the last three or four years, all officers received their furlough pay in England at the fixed rate of 2s. per rupee. Even so recently as 1868, in the furlough rules of that year, the exchange was fixed at 2s. Officers, when they agreed to elect the 1868 rules, considered the 2s. rate as part of the agreement. Without their consent, the rate has since been fixed from year to year a much lower rate.

Now very many years ago it was ruled by Government that pensions of pounds sterling, when paid in India, would be at the rate of 2s. 1d. per rupee.

Government have altered their agreement as regards payments in England, where they were losing in exchange, but they do not surrender their gains on payments in India. Is this— FAIR PLAY?

THE CIVIL SERVICE AND OUTSIDERS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

Sir,—Mr. C. S. has left out a few other [illegible] members of Council, Revenue Commissioners, High Court Judges, &c., &c. held by [illegible] appointment of any importance is already filled [illegible] in God's name, what more does he want? [illegible] not be worth while for a civilian to hold for [illegible] of appointments that are at [illegible] officers or uncovenanted men. [illegible] would like to makea convenience [illegible] but it is doubtful whether such [illegible] would benefit the department [illegible]

Mr. C. S. is mistaken in supposing that the majority [illegible] are disappointed to by him are disappointed [illegible] for the C. S. Were he not so inflated at [illegible] the competitive examination, he would not re[illegible] such absurd notions.

[illegible] necessarily follow that every one who [illegible] pass this test is an idiot, or a block[illegible] to hold a Government ap[illegible] Unfortunately the work entrusted to military [illegible] and uncovenanted men is on the whole [illegible] efficiently done; there can be no doubt, if it was not, Government would certainly make a change. There is no question as to the difference in cost between the two [illegible]

The claims and qualifications by which military officers and uncovenanted men get appointments are [illegible] as are admitted at home and almost in [illegible] in the world. Many civilians—fathers of [illegible] benefited by it, and so will probably Mr. C. S.'s [illegible] some future time unless his progeny [illegible] ses like himself and pass at the Indian [illegible] competition."

[illegible] too many civilians, the remedy is simple [illegible] their number, or ship them off to Hongkong, [illegible] Timbuctoo. I daresay the downfall of our [illegible] in India would not thereby be hastened by a

SANG FROID.

THE PARSEE SANITARIUM AT COLABA.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

Sir,—I have several times been requested to call the [illegible] of the proper authorities, through the valuable [illegible] of your paper, to a crying evil which has [illegible] for months and months in the Colaba portion of [illegible] way a d I am sorry to say existing [illegible] in terms of a redress. Though I am somewhat less [illegible] quine about it than my informant, still a faint hope [illegible] me speak out, and see at least if nothing can be [illegible] to alleviate the trials of a walk past the Parsee sanitarium. I ask, then, in the Queen's high [illegible], in the public thoroughfare, is it permitted that [illegible] horses, carriages, and clothes should be washed; or dead crows, rats, and other carrion thrown, to say [illegible] nothing of every description of filth that is piled up beside the "dust bins."

The Wodehouse Road ought to be a pleasant one, kept clear of all cattle, as a board is put up to inform the public. Just such a road where the fresh sea air, aided by the prescribed constitutionals, would bring healthand colour to many a white worn face. But instead of this, what is it? I am not too strong in replying—a place of disgusting smells and revolting sights, for surely it is revolting to come upon surgical bandages, with all the horrid ideas they are calculated to suggest, right in the middle of a road, or to see raw meat being cut up, and fowls slaughtered? "Free from cattle indeed!" Who has not consistently been provoked by the cool indifference of the buffalo drivers? There they are blocking up the road with their ungainly looking herd, and yet do not choose to exert themselves to make a way clear for any one. But enough. From what I have already said, Sir, you will at once understand there is good cause for complaint. However, since "seeing is believing," in conclusion I would suggest an early walk up to Colaba, and I am satisfied that at least two of your senses would carry away a very forcible conviction.—Yours, &c.,

A PEDESTRIAN.

Feb 29.

THE EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT'S NEW RULES.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

Sir,—Your remarks upon the obnoxious Rule recently issued by the Educational Department, regarding the number of days on which attendance at school will be required for each pupil presented to the inspector for examination, will be admitted, I think, by most to be both seasonable and just, and in common with many others who are specially interested in the cause of education amongst the middle and lower classes of Europeans, and blended of mixed descent, I earnestly trust that they will receive the attention they may fairly claim from those who are responsible for this measure, and for the serious injury which it threatens to entail on those Christian schools which depend largely for their maintenance upon the Government grant-in-aid. It is possible that a saving clause may have wisely excluded such institutions from the operation of this inequitable rule. But I have received no information on the subject, except what I gather from your article of the 22nd instant. For indeed, Sir, it is little less than a calamity not only to these often small and struggling institutions, but to the country at large, that Government should in any way deliberately add to the increasing hardships incidental to the condition of our pensioners, and our poorer European population; and this, too, when the pressing question of the day is how to provide their children with a liberal and Christian education, and how to remedy the grievous disadvantage in which they are placed towards the natives of this country in competing for appointments under Government, or in seeking some other opening for honest industry. And yet the enforcement of this proposed regulation means simply the closing of several such schools for Christian children; since these cannot be efficiently maintained, except by means of a liberal grant-in-aid, which is now to be withheld except where the master can certify for attendance of each child presented for examination, for 200 days in the year! This sudden rise from the former minimum of 75 days' attendance, is, as you observe, too violent and radical a change to be likely to bring about any satisfactory results. It is most unwise, but it is more. If the rule is a blunder, as lessening the very moderate amount of holidays hitherto enjoyed, and as being wholly unsuited to the peculiar circumstances under which *all* grant-aided schools in this country are carried on, it is a cruel wrong to those which are maintained by the annual grant, supplemented by private monthly contributions, in stations where the people, for whose benefit we are gladly labouring, are either too poor to pay any fee, or are of a fitting class, liable to frequent transfer of residence.

It does not require much calculation to foretell the certain effect of the new rule in the case of such schools as those to which I refer. For if you deduct the 6 weeks' holidays in the year, besides Sundays and occasional festivals, the Queen's Birthday, &c.—(for we will conclude that the old established *Saturday* holiday must now be given up, hard as this will press upon the master, who most often looks to this at is only opportunity for self-improvement, and preparing for some impending examination at Bombay)—there will remain about 260 working days in the school year; or only 60 days allowed for "contingencies"! Then, if you consider what allowance must be made, both for the lamentable indifference of parents as to the regularity of their children's attendance, and for their frequent change of residence; as well as for the frequent illnesses and the heavy rains which must often operate as a serious hindrance even in the case of those who most value the advantages which a good school offers; the utter hopelessness of conforming to the new "attendance clause" will be readily admitted. In brief, as you say, the alternative now presented is either no more holidays, or no more grant. But the loss of the grant-in-aid means for us the closing of our school.

O. WALFORD, M.A.,
Hon. Sec. St. Mary's School, Belgaum.

February 26.

THE BOMBAY MEDICAL SERVICE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

Sir,—If the late discussion on medical appointments in Bombay has done no other good, it has at any rate shown to the public what has hitherto been well known to the profession, viz.—that these appointments are manipulated for and by certain parties in Bombay looking mainly to their own interests and inclination in the matter.

No amount of letter-writing can do away with this fact. A. acts for B., B. for A., and C. for both when occasion offers, while in almost every case arrangements are quietly come to, ere medical men up-country hear or know anything of the matter.

A gross libel truly to state, or infer, that the majority of mofussil medical men are incompetent, solely to suit the views of a clique.

Has Bombay, with its many opportunities, done much, if anything, worth speaking of towards the advancement of the profession? Do we see or know anything of the extensive fields of practice and research daily and hourly occurring in the European Grant College, Goculdas, and other Hospitals? Do any of the medical men trouble themselves to make public the discovery of new diseases, or of the more effective treatment of existing diseases? Are they doing justice to themselves and the service at large, by what I may term the suppression of everything novel or interesting that may occur in the practice of their profession?

What of the once flourishing, but now almost extinct, "Medical and Physical Society," how many members of the profession belong to it, and how is it supported by the few who do? In the days of McLennan, Morehead, Giraud, Peet and Ballingall, it was well and nobly conducted, till, in their absence, it fell into the hands of a few who had themselves and not the public to consider.

In the medical as well as in all other professions there are some black sheep who do not care to improve and think of nothing save their month's pay; but there are many who are both able and willing to bring their talents more before the public and on a wider sphere, and who, although more advanced in years, are yet as competent as younger men, while possessing that experience and self-reliance which only age can give.

Young medical men may be more easily managed by their seniors, but in many cases it is doubtful if this is a great boon either to the public or to the profession.

The securing of a large and remunerative private practice seems to be the aim of medical men in Bombay, but to attain this it might be well that Government and the heads of departments see that the appointments for which they are well paid, do not suffer; that the chief portion of their time is not devoted to their private ends; and that lecturer's assistants, or whatever name they go under, are not made to do the main portion of the duty that should by right fall to the lot of the real incumbent.

Private practice is, I fancy, at the root of much of the indifference to the elucidation in the medical papers of the results of their hospital practice, and hence, mainly, the moribund state of the Medical and Physical Society.

To meet all the demands of private practice in Bombay, youth, health, and strength of body is certainly requisite; but many of the Government appointments, if they occupy as they ought to do, most of the time of the incumbent would be all the better filled by seniors, who, from the fact of their not possessing the bodily activity and elasticity of youth, would be inclined to attend more to their purely Government duties and perhaps to favour the profession with the results of their daily experience as in the case of Drs. Morehead and Peet. Government returns and reports are good enough are published, issued through the office of the Surgeon-General, but who has the time or inclination to wade through the mass of figures and tables there given?

Such is the *finale* of the yearly duties of the many large and useful public hospitals, &c., of Bombay. But where are the details of the hundreds of many important and valuable cases that must be of daily occurrence in these institutions?

I have written the foregoing with the view *solely* of showing what we, misguided ignorant mofussil medicos know and feel [illegible] ese subjects, though personally believe me I [illegible] ire to live in Bombay, nor care a farthing [illegible] dual may fill such and such appointments.—I am, &c.,

MO FUSSIL.

February 25.

BOMBAY.

Indian Travellers' Guide containing the latest alterations in the time tables for March 1876, of the several lines of railway, is now ready, and can be had at this office and the several agencies. Price annas eight.

Cruelty to Animals.—A bhistee, named Kyroodeen Boorun, was fined yesterday Rs. 3 by Mr. C. P. Cooper, for cruelly torturing his bullock.

Inquests.—There were twenty-five inquests held by the Coroner of Bombay last month (February) and twenty-nine inquests in the month previous (January), making in all fifty-four inquests for the present year, up to yesterday.

Defrauding the B. B. and C. I. R. Company.—Ebrahim Goolam Hoosein was yesterday fined Rs. 15 by Mr. Dosabhoy Framjee, for defrauding the B. B. & C. I. R. Company by travelling in a [illegible] carriage from Surat to Nowsaree without having [illegible] fare.

Sent to the Reformatory.—Yscoob [illegible], aged fifteen years, was yesterday sent to the [illegible] Reformatory by Mr. Dosabhoy Framjee, at the Girgaum Police Court, for attempting to steal a silver bangle, the property of Mahomed Aly Koodabux.

Committed to the Sessions.—Yesterday, at the Girgaum Police Court, an old offender, named Ramchunder Balcrishna, was committed by Mr. Dosabhoy Framjee to take his trial at the next Criminal Sessions of the High Court for stealing a silver anklet from the person of the child of one Ruddab, woman.

A Su-picious Character.—Mabrook Sulliman, a reputed thief, was yesterday sentenced by Mr. C. P. Cooper to three months' hard labour in the Common Jail, for trespassing in the dwelling house of one Ameena, woman, without a reasonable excuse, and having in his possession instruments of house-breaking.

Suicide.—A Coroner's inquest was held yesterday at Cruickshank Road, on view of the body of Daeja Dossa. Deceased was a labourer, about twenty-eight years of age. Upon the evidence adduced, the following verdict was returned by the jury:—"That the death of the deceased was caused by his having committed suicide by drowning himself in a well."

The Zoroastrian Theatrical Club.—It will be seen from a notice in our advertising columns that the popular melo-drama of "Jalam Jore," which the amateurs of the above company have very successfully performed on several previous occasions, will be reproduced to-night at the old Victoria Theatre. To-night's performance is not for families.

Theft of Ornaments.—One Naria alias Rama was arrested under a warrant and placed before the Senior Magistrate yesterday, at the Fort Police Court, charged with the theft of gold and silver ornaments, valued Rs. 754, the property of Soondra, woman, a *naikin*, or dancing girl, residing on the Kalbadevie Road. His Worship, after taking some evidence for the prosecution, adjourned the further hearing of the case to the 7th instant.

Enticing away a Married Woman and Theft.—Yesterday, at the Fort Police Court, Sewram Babajee, a goldsmith living at Tarwady, appeared before Mr. Nana Morojee and obtained a warrant for the arrest of Gungaram Babooram, and prayed that he may be dealt with according to law. The complainant charges him with enticing away his wife, named Parvuttee, for unlawful purposes, and also with the theft of ornaments valued at Rs. 242-8.

Suspected Theft.—A Hindoo, named Dwarkanath Kundoojee, was charged yesterday, before Mr. Dosabhoy Framjee, with having in his possession a railway lamp, valued Rs. 4, the property of the B. B. & C. I. R. Co., reasonably suspected of being stolen or fraudulently obtained. Upon the evidence adduced, the Magistrate fined the prisoner Rs. 20, or in default to suffer rigorous imprisonment for one month.

A Grievous Assault.—A Mahomedan, named Mahomed Goolab, was yesterday charged before Mr. Dosabhoy Framjee, at the Girgaum Police Court, with committing a grievous assault against the person of Jinabee, woman, by biting her nose. The case stands adjourned to this day. The assault arose, it appears, from jealousy. The prosecutrix was in the keeping of the prisoner recently, but at present is in the keeping of another man, named Wallee Mahomed.

Found Drowned.—A Coroner's inquest was held on Monday at the Dockyard Road, Mazagon, on view of the body of a Hindoo man name unknown. The body of the deceased was found floating on the surface of the water in a well situated on the Mazagon hill by the side of the Dockyard Road. Upon the evidence adduced, the following verdict was returned by the jury:—"That the death of the deceased was caused by his having been drowned in a well, but under what circumstance there is no evidence to show."

A Fire in the Cantonment Magistrate's Office.—On Saturday last, about five o'clock in the afternoon, smoke was observed by Aysein, a havildar of the Cantonment Magistrate's Office, in one of the rooms of the ground floor,—the old records were burning, which he at once extinguished, or if the Court was closed, no doubt the whole of the building would have been on fire. A *dooley* was found lying near the records which was burning at the time, and it is supposed that some one was smoking and threw it there. There is always a large gathering of people in the office as well as in the compound, and some of them indulge in smoking *bidis*. We however hope the Cantonment Magistrate will prevent such practices being carried on in the compound of the office, or about it.—*Poona Observer*, Feb. 29.

Cowasjee Dorabjee's appeal rejected by the Secretary of State.—It must be in the recollection of our readers that Mr. Cowasjee Dorabjee was convicted by Colonel G. C. Pyeard, the Cantonment Magistrate, for selling liquor without a license, and sentenced to pay a fine of rupees five hundred, against which an appeal was made to the Bombay Government, who rejected it remarking that it was clearly proved that the appellant had sold liquor without a license. Mr. Cowasjee, not being satisfied with the decision of the Government appealed to Her Majesty's Secretary of State, which appeal was forwarded through the Bombay Government; also Mr. Cowasjee had the audacity to request the Bombay Government to forward with his appeal a copy of Mr. Nairn's Revenue Hand Book which the Government peremptorily refused to do, and moreover informed him that he was convicted on the clearest possible evidence. Her Majesty's Secretary of State, in rejecting the appeal, stated that the memorialist may be informed that his Lordship does not entertain appeals in this class of cases. We do not know what Mr. Cowasjee and his advisers could do in the case. Perhaps we will not be surprised to hear that he appealed to Parliament.—*Id.*

SMALL-POX IN BOMBAY.

The number of small-pox patients under treatment yesterday morning in the several hospitals, and the number of admissions, discharges and deaths in each hospital for Monday morning to yesterday morning was as follows:—At the J. J. Hospital 92 under treatment, 2 admissions, 1 discharged and no deaths. At the Goculdas Tejpal Hospital 12 under treatment, no admissions, no discharges, and no deaths. At the European General Hospital 14 under treatment, 2 admissions, no discharges, and 1 death—a European seaman unemployed. The total number of deaths from small-pox registered yesterday was 40, of whom 22 were Hindoos, 12 Mahomedans and 6 Parsees. These deaths occurred in the following localities, viz:—Fort, 2; Esplanade, 2; Market, 2; Mandavie, 3; Chuckla, 5; Oomercarry, 1; Dongree, 2; Dhobie Talao, 6; Funneswady, 2; Bhooleshwur, 3; Kharra Talao, 1; Coombarwada, 2; Khetwady, 1 Mazagon, 1; Camateepoora, 1; and Byculla, 2.

A CASE UNDER THE LAND ACQUISITION ACT.

(BEFORE MR. JUSTICE BAYLEY AND H. P. LEMESURIER AND D. E. GOSTLING, ESQS.)

At the High Court yesterday, a case under the Land Acquisition Act X. of 1870, and in the matter of Government *vs.* Wittoba Pandurang, Govind Pandurang, and Gunput Pandurang, was heard before Mr. Justice Bayley and Messrs. LeMesurier and Gostling as assessors under the Act. Government had nominated Mr. LeMesurier as an assessor on their behalf, but in default of the other parties appointing another assessor, Mr. Gostling was nominated by the Court.

Mr. Marriott, acting Advocate General, with Mr. Charles Turner, instructed by Mr. Hearn, Government Solicitor, appeared for Government. Mr. P. M. Mehta, instructed by Messrs. Shapurjee and Thakurdas, appeared for Gunput Pandurang. The other two claimants, Wittoba and Govind, appeared in person.

Mr. Marriott said this was a reference under section 15 of Act X. of 1870. The preceding sections give Government power to take land for public purposes. (Refers to previous sections.) Three of the sections had, according to the Act, to be read out to the assessors in a language which they understood. Section 15 provides for the case being referred to the High Court in the event of the claimants not appearing before the Collector and being not satisfied with what he offered. All the Collector then had to do was to bring in the persons interested in the land, and having got them, to determine the amount of compensation. He had nothing to do as to whether the family of the claimants was undivided or not, but merely as to were the rights or claims of each. All the claimants in this case did not attend, and the Collector was unable to agree with those who appeared as to the amount of compensation for the land. The Collector was by a further section directed to describe the situation of the ground. The land here was simply a rice field without anything upon it. The Collector had offered Rs. 1,063-10-8 for ten annas square yard, for 1,479 square yards of the claimant's land situated at Parell near the Albert Mills, which was wanted for the B. B. and C. I. station at Parell. The intermediate pieces had been purchased by the Collector at the market price of ten annas per square yard. He did not accept the offer then read the report of this case made to the High Court. It is as follows:—

To the Hon'ble Sir M. R. Westropp, Kt., Chief Justice of the High Court of Judicature, Bombay, and the Puisne Judges of the said Court.

Hon'ble Sirs.—I have the honour to report that, under the provisions of section 15 and 18 of the said Act, I do hereby refer to the determination of the Hon'ble Court the matter of the amount of compensation to be awarded to the above claimants, of the rights thereto or interested therein arising between or among such of the claimants as have appeared before me, who, I have reason to believe, are interested in the said matter, and such compensation to be awarded under the provision of section 18 to report for the information of the Hon'ble Court as follows:—(a.) The land in question is situated in that portion of the island of Bombay known as Parell, and consists of an area of 1,479·9 square yards, a plan of which is annexed to this report along with a copy of the Government notification which appeared in the *Government Gazette* of the 6th May 1875. The land stands in the name of Wittoba Pandurang in the Collector's books. (b.) I have reason to believe that the above named persons are interested in the land in question either as claimants or owners. Notices have been served on all the above-named persons under section 9 personally. Govind Pandurang has yet put forward no claim, either personally or by attorney or by post. Gunput Pandurang has put forward his claim through his son Nanabhoy, and Wittoba Pandurang personally. (c.) No amount has been rewarded for damages, or paid or tended under sections 5 and 17 of the Act, as the land has not been damaged in any way. No amount of compensation has been actually paid under section 11, as all the claimants did not attend, and those that did could not agree among themselves regarding their respective claims and shares. Consequently the matter had to be referred to the Court under section 15. At the same time, I, as Collector of Bombay, proposed to pay the amount of two items, namely—Rs. 924-14-10, market value of the land considered under section 24 at the rate of ten annas per square yard; and Rs. 138-11-10, 15 per cent on the market value as required under section 42. (d.) The grounds on which I, as Collector of Bombay, have determined the amount of compensation are Rs. 1,063-10-8, are as follows:—That I, as Collector of Bombay, have recently disposed of land in the same neighbourhood at the rate of eight annas per square yard. 2. That other land has also been purchased by the Municipality in the same neighbourhood at the rate of eight annas a square yard. 3. That land has been bought and sold by private individuals in the same neighbourhood at the same rate. 4. That the actual market value of the land is eight annas per square yard, but I have offered ten annas as the whole plot was not purchased. 5. That the other parties whose lands have been taken up for the same purpose (namely, for connecting the DeLisle and Parell roads) under the same Act, and adjoining his very land, have accepted ten annas per square yard for their land, plus the 15 per cent. allowed under the Act. The land has been taken possession of, and will be handed over to the Municipal authorities, from whom the requisition was received for its acquisition under the Act for the purposes of road improvements.

Mr. P. M. Mehta, on behalf of Gunput Pandurang, agreed to receive the amount offered by the Collector.

Wittoba Pandurang said he would take the rate paid by Government in 1869 for a portion of this very ground, namely Rs. 2·8 per yard.

Govind Pandurang said he had no interest in the land. He had nothing to say.

Mr. Marriot said it was true an exorbitant rate was paid in 1869, because the matter was referred to arbitration, and the arbitrators awarded a light rate. Since then, with a view to protect Government, the Act X. of 1870 was passed.

Mr. F. F. Arbuthout said—I am Collector of Bombay and have been so since February 1870. The Municipality required Government to take up the pieces of land mentioned in this plan, so as to form a junction between the DeLisle and Parell roads. Wittoba intended to build on the

…mind to surrown national interests and neces… …f we do not support, encourage, and preserve …ossible way, every talent, trade, industry, art, or …on among the natives, even at certain sacrifices, …shalt is our own, and we deserve to be, and shall be, …poverished. In complaining, therefore, about the vast …drain from India, and our growing impoverishment, it …must be borne in mind that, for a certain portion of it, we …have to thank our own blindness to our national interests, …but for a large portion the blame is the present system and …policy of Indian administration.

…to may draw our own inferences about the effects of …drain, but I give you below official opinions on the …ject, from early times to the present day, for each …idency.

Bengal.

Sir John Shore, in 1787, says in his famous minute …ppendix to 5th report, Parliamentary Return No. 377 …1813) :—

"123. Whatever allowance we may make for the in…ased industry of the subjects of the State, owing to the …reased demand for the produce of it (supposing the de…mand to be enhanced), there is reason to conclude that the …nefits are more than counterbalanced by evils inseparable …m the system of a remote foreign dominion.

"141. If we were to suppose the internal trade of …dostan again revived, the export of the produce of …e country by the Company must still prevent those re… …ns which trade formerly poured in. This is an evil …separable from a European government."

Lord Cornwallis' minute on land settlements, dated 10th …February 1790, says:—"The consequence of the heavy …ent wealth from the above causes (*viz.*, large annual …ayment to Europe, assistance to the treasury of Cal… …, and to supply wants of other presidencies), with …addition of that which has been occasioned by the …embrance of private fortunes, have been for many years …t and are now, severely felt by the great diminution …the current specie, and by the languor which has thereby …en thrown upon the cultivation and the general commerce …the country."

The East India Company, on finding the provinces of …engal and Behar continuously depreciating, caused a …ct and minute survey of the condition of the people. …is survey extended over nine years, from 1807 to 1816. …he reports, however, lay buried in the archives of the …dia House, till Mr. Montgomery Martin brought them to …ght. He sums up the result of these official minute …searches in the following remarkable words (vol. I., page …)—"It is impossible to avoid remarking two facts as …gularly striking—first, the richness of the country sur…eyed; and second, the poverty of its inhabitants."

Referring to the drain at the time, Mr. Martin says:—…e constant and accumulating a drain, even in England, …ould soon impoverish it. How severe, then, must be …e effects on India, where the wage of a labourer is from …o-pence to three-pence a day?"

Coming down to later times, Mr. Frederick John Shore, …f the Bengal Civil Service, has left us the following …ecount of the condition of the people in 1837 (vol. II., …age 98):—"But the halcyon days of India are over; she …as been drained of a large proportion of the wealth she …ince possessed, and her energies have been cramped by a …ystem of misrule to which the interests of …illions have been sacrificed for the benefit of the …ew." "The gradual impoverishment of the people and …country, under the mode of rule established by the British …Government, has," &c., &c.

After coming into intimate contact with the people, Mr. …Shore inquired, and says:—I soon found myself at no …loss to understand the feelings of the people both towards …our Government and to ourselves. It would have been …astonishing indeed had it been otherwise. The funda…mental principle of the English had been to make the …whole Indian nation subservient, in every possible way, …to the interests and benefits of themselves.

"If the welfare of the people been our object, a very …different course would have been adopted, and very …different results would have followed; for, again and …again I repeat it, there is nothing in the circumstance …itself, of our being foreigners of different colour and …faith, that should occasion the people to hate us. We …may thank ourselves for having made their feelings to…wards as what they are."

Colonel Marriot, at the East India Association meeting …in July last, referring to Bengal, said:—"But he had no …doubt he could be accurately quoted as saying the present …Lieutenant-Governor of Bengal in saying that the mass of …the population is probably poorer, and in a lower social …position, than any in India."

The "Material and moral Progress" for 1871-2 (page …100) says that "the Calcutta missionary conference had …dwelt on the miserable and abject condition of the Ben…gal ryots, and there is evidence that they suffer many …things, and are often in want of absolute necessaries."

Mr. Saville Marriot, "one of the Commissioners of …Revenue in the Deccan," and afterwards a Member of …Council, says in 1836, in his letter to Sir R. Grant:—"You …will readily conceive that my opinions are the result rather …of practi… …perience than deduction drawn from scienti… …c views."

Bombay.

"For many years past, I have, in common with many …others, painfully witnessed their declin[e the people's] …and more especially that part of the community which has …emphatically been styled the 'sinews of the State'—the …peasantry of India.

"It is a startling but too notorious a fact, that, though …loaded with a vastly greater absolute amount of taxation, …and harassed by various severe acts of tyranny and oppres…sion, yet the country was in a state of prosperity under …the native rule, when compared with that into which it …has fallen under the avowedly mild sway of British ad…ministration. Though, in stating the subject, I have used …the expression 'a vastly greater absolute amount of tax…ation,' yet I would beg to be understood as being fully …aware those terms must be treated in a qualified sense, …since it is manifest that, relatively viewed, a smaller nu…merical amount of taxation may, with reference to the …means of payment, be, in point of fact, more burdensome …than a much larger one where the resources are more …adequate to the object. But, in the particular case in …point, it is, I believe, ability which has diminished; and …that, too, to many grades below the proportionate fall in …the pecuniary amount of fiscal demand. To the …pecuniary injurious result are also to be added the …many unfavourable circumstances inseparable for a time …from a foreign rule. In elucidation of the position *that …this country is verging to the last stage ob* [illegible] *pauperism* …would adduce fact, pregnant with considerations of the most …serious importance, namely, that of late years a large …portion of the public revenue has been paid by encroach…ment upon the capital of the country, small though that …capital is in itself. In short, *almost everything forces the …conviction that we have before us a narrowing progress …to utter pauperism.*"

Mr. Marriot in another place (page 11) says:—"Most …of the evils of our rule in India arise directly from, or may …be traced to, the heavy tribute which that country pays …to England."

And with regard to this tribute, he quotes the Chair…man of a Court of Proprietors held on the 28th February …1845, as follows:—"India paid to the mother-country, in …the shape of home charges, what must be considered the …annual tribute of £3,000,000 sterling; and daily poured …into the lap of the mother-country a continual stream of …wealth in the shape of private fortunes." To this should …be added all earnings of Europeans, except what they …spent in India for Indian supplies; which would show …that there is something far beyond even private fortunes …which is continuously poured into the lap of England.

Mr. Marriot goes on to say:—"It will be difficult …to satisfy the mind that any country could bear such a …drain upon its resources without sustaining very serious …injury."

Again says Mr. Marriot (page 17):—"A different state …of things exists in the present day on that point; and, …though the people still, and gratefully so, acknowledge …the benefits they have derived from the suppression of …open violence, yet they emphatically and unanswerably …refer their increasing penury as evidencing the existence …of a canker-worm that is working their destruction". . .

Mr. Robert Knight says:—"Mr. Giberne, in 1840 said: …*The ryots all complain that they had had money once, …but they had none now.*"

In a private letter, dated 1849, "written by a gentleman …high in the Company's service" and quoted in a pamphlet …in 1851, the decay of Guzerat is thus described:—"Many …of the best families in the province, who were rich and well …to do when we came into Guzerat in 1807, have now scarce…ly clothes to their backs". . . .

Lieutenant A. Nash, after giving a table of the prices of …grain from 1809 to 1838 in Indapore (Bombay Government …Selections, No. 107, New Series, page 118), says:—"The …table is chiefly interesting in showing the gradual diminu…tion in the price of corn from the days of the Peishwas to …our own. By comparing the prices at the commencement …with those at the end of the table, and then reading the …list over, this circumstance will become apparent." I …gave this table in my notes on prices.

Madras.

Mr. John Bruce Norton, in his letter to Mr. Robert Lowe …1854, quotes the words of Mr. Bourdillon—"one of the …est revenue officers in the Madras Civil Service, and a …mber of the Commission on Public Works"—about the …ority of the ryots:—Page 91.—"Now, it may certainly …said of almost the whole of the ryots, paying even …highest of these sums, and even of many holding to …much larger amount, that they are always in poverty …generally in debt."

Mr. Bourdillon he says:—"As respects food, houses, …clothing, they are in a worse condition than the class …poor ryots above spoken of. It appears from the fore…going details that the condition of the agricultural labour…ing country is very poor. . . . In fact, almost the …whole of his earnings is necessarily be consumed in a …bare allowance of coarse and unvaried food, and a bare …sufficiency of clothing. The wretched hut the lives in, can …hardly be valued at all. As to any thing in the way of …education or mental culture, he is utterly destitute of it."

Such is the testimony in the year 1854. Now let us …come down to no late a time as 1869. Mr. (Now Sir …George) Campbell, in his paper on tenure of land in India, …published by the Cobden Club, quotes from an official …report made so late as 1860 about the Madras …Presidency, as follows:—"The bulk of the people are …past[e]. They can just pay their cesses in a good year, …and fail[s] together when the season is bad. Remissions …have to be made, perhaps every third year, in most …districts. There is a bad year in some one district, or …group of districts, every year."

Punjab.

The administration report of 1856-8 (Parliamentary …Return No. 212 of 1859, page 16), 'prepared under the …direction of Sir J. Lawrence, K.C.B., Chief Commissioner …of Punjab, by R. Temple, Secretary to Chief Commissioner, …Punjab, says:—"In former reports it was explained how …the circumstance of so much money going out of the …Punjab contributed to depress the agriculturist. The …native regular army was Hindustani; to them …was a large share of the Punjab revenues …disbursed, of which a part only they spent …on the spot, and a part was remitted to their …homes. Thus it was that, year after year, lakhs and lakhs …were drained from the Punjab, and enriched Oudh. But …within the last year, the native army being Punjabi, all …such sums have been paid to them, and have been spent …at home. Again, many thousands of Punjabi soldiers are …serving abroad. These men not only remit their savings, …but also have sent quantities of prize property and plunder, …the spoils of Hindustan, to their native villages. The …effect of all this is already perceptible in an increase of …agricultural capital a freer circulation of money, and a …fresh impetus to cultivation."

This is just the cause which, in far more aggravated …form and on a far larger scale, operates on the whole of …British India in its relations with Eng[land]. Millions are …drained to England; and till the reserving cause of the …retaining and return of wealth in some way does not come …into operation, the evils of the drain cannot be remedied.

North West Provinces.

I have not come across Mr. Helsey's report on the …assessment of Cawnpore, but I take an extract from one …given in the *Bombay Gazette* Summary of the 21st June …1872, page 21:—"I assert that the abject poverty of the …average cultivator of this district is beyond the belief of …any one who has not seen it. He is simply a slave to the …soil, to the seminar, to the usurer, and to Government. …. I regret to say that, with these few exceptions …the normal state of between three-fourths and four-fifths …the cultivators of this district is as I have above shown. It …may appear to many to be exaggerated, and, from the …nature of the case, it is of course impossible to produce …figures in support of it; nevertheless, it is the result of my …personal observations, and I feel confident the result of the …whole discussion will be to prove I have not overstated …the truth."

Central Provinces.

Here is the latest testimony about the people. Mr. W. …G. Pedder says:—"Who [the people], if an almost un…versal concensus of opinion may be relied on, are rapidly …going from bad to worse under our rule, is a most serious …question, and one well deserving the attention of Govern…ment."

Lastly, to sum up the whole, here is Sir John Lawrence (Lord Lawrence) testifying so late as 1864 about all India:—"India is, on the whole, a very poor country; the mass of the population enjoy only a scanty subsistence." And Lord Mayo, on the 3rd March 1871, says, in his speech in the Legislative Council:—"I admit the comparative poverty of this country, as compared with many other countries of the same magnitude and importance, and I am convinced of the impolicy and injustice of imposing burdens upon this people which may be called either crushing or oppressive.

"Mr. Grant Duff, in an able speech which he delivered the other day in the House of Commons, the report of which arrived by last mail, stated, with truth, that the position of our finance was wholly different from that of England. 'In England,' he stated, 'you have a comparatively wealthy population. The income of the United Kingdom has, I believe, been guessed at £800,000,000 per annum; the income of British India has been guessed at £300,000,000 per annum. That gives well on to £30 per annum as the income of every person in the United Kingdom and only £2 per annum as the income of every person in British India.'

"I believe that Mr. Grant Duff had good grounds for the statement he made, and I wish to say, with reference to it, that we are perfectly cognizant of the relative povert[y] of this country as compared with European States."

So here is a clear admission by high authorities of what I had urged in my paper on the "Wants and Means of India," and what I now urge, that India's production was only about 40s. a head.

And now in the year 1873, before the Finance Committee, Lord Lawrence repeats his conviction that the mass of the people of India are so miserably poor that they have barely the means of subsistence. It is as much as a man can do to feed his family or half feed them, let alone spending money on what may be called luxuries or conveniences. Mr Grant Duff asked Mr. Lawson so late as in May 1870, in the House of Commons, whether he meant to "grind an already poor population to the very dust."

The following picture about England itself under similar circumstances, may, I hope, enable the British people to realize our condition. The parallel is remarkable, and the picture in certain portions life-like of the present state of India. Draper's "Intellectual Development of Europe" 5th edition, Page 365.—"In fact, through the operation of the Crusades, all Europe was tributary to the Pope (Innocent III.). . . . . A steady drain of money from every realm. Fifty years after the time of which we are speaking, Robert Grostete, the Bishop of Lincoln and friend of Roger Bacon, caused to be ascertained the amount received by foreign ecclesiastics in England. He found it to be thrice the income of the king himself. This was on the occasion of innocent IV. demanding provision to be made for three hundred additional Italian clergy by the Church of England; and that one of his nephews—a mere boy—should have a stall in Lincoln Cathedral." *Page* 397. In England—for ages a mine of wealth to Rome—the tendency of things was shown by such facts as the remonstrance of the Commons with the Crown on the appointment of ecclesiastics to all the Great Sees, and the allegations made by the 'Good Parliament' as to the amount of money drawn by Rome from the kingdom. They asserted that it was five times as much as the taxes levied by the king, and that the Pope's revenue from England was greater than the revenue of any prince in Christendom."

The result of this drain from England to Italy was the condition of the people, as pictured at pages 494-5, than which nothing could be more painful. Mr. Draper says:—'For many of the facts I have now to mention, the reader will find authorities in the works of Lord Macaulay, and Mr. Froude on English History. My own reading in other directions satisfies me that the picture here offered, represents the actual condition of things. . . . .

"There were forests extending over great districts; fens forty or fifty miles in length, reeking with miasma and fevers. Although round the walls of the abbeys there might be beautiful gardens, green lawns, shady walks, and many murmuring streams. . . . The peasant's cabin was made of reeds or sticks, plastered over with mud. His fire was chimneyless—often it was made of peat, in the objects and manner of his existence, he was but a step above the industrious beaver who was building his dam in the adjacent stream. . . . . Vermin in abundance in the clothing and beds. The common food was peas, wetches, fern-roots, and even the bark of trees. . . The population, sparse as it was, was perpetually thinned by pestilence and want. Nor was the state of the townsman better than that of the rustic; his bed was a bag of straw, with a fair round log for his pillow. . . . It was a melancholy social condition when nothing intervened between reed cabins in the fen, the miserable wigwams of villages, and the conspicuous walls of the castle and the monastery. . . . Rural life had but little improved since the time of Cæsar; in its physical aspect it was altogether neglected. . . . . .

"England, at the close of the age of faith, had for long been a chief pecuniary tributary to Italy, the source from which large revenues have been drawn, the fruitful field in which herds of Italian ecclesiastics had been pastured . . . At the beginning of the sixteenth century, the island was far more backward, intellectually and politically, than is commonly supposed."

Many a time, in discussing with English friends the [illegible] material drain generally, and the above remarks on railways, irrigation works, &c., I found it a very difficult task to convince. Fortunately, a great authority enunciates the fundamental principles very clearly and convincingly, and I give them below, hoping that an authority like that of the late Mr. Mill, will, on economical principles especially, command attention.

I give a few short extracts from Mills' Political Economy,' chapter V.:—

"Industry is limited by capital."

"To employ industry on the land is to apply capital to the land."

Industry cannot be employed to any greater extent than there is capital to invest."

"There can be no more industry than is supplied by materials to work up, and food to eat. Yet, in regard to a fact so evident, it was long contended to be believed that laws and governments, without creating capital, could create industry."

These principles, applied to the particular case of India, amount to this:—Poor India has not even to support its absolute want, even were the whole production employed in supporting labour. But as this is not the case,—as there must be some portion of the produce consumed unproductively in luxuries,—the share for the support of labour for reproduction becomes still more scanty; saving, and therefore addition to capital, being altogether out of the question. Moreover, not only is there no saving at the present rate of production, but there is actual continuous yearly abstraction from this scanty production. The result is an additional evil consequence in the capability of labour deteriorating continuously, for "industry is limited by capital"—so the candle burns at both ends,—capital going on diminishing on the one hand, and labour thereby becoming less capable on the other, to reproduce as much as before. The last theorem of Mill is a clear answer to those who say that, because the railways open up a market for the commodities, the produce of the country *must* increase. I need only repeat that "demand for commodities is not demand for labour," and that "industry cannot be employed to any greater extent than there is capital to invest."

If these principles are fairly borne in mind, and the element of the drain from India fairly considered the gradual impoverishment of India, under the existing system of administration, will cease to appear a paradox.

The Moral Drain

Beyond the positions of deputy-collectors or extra-commissioners, or similar subordinate positions in the Engineering, Medical, and all other services (with a very few somewhat better exceptions), all experience and knowledge of statesmanship, of administration or legislation, of high scientific or learned professions, are drained away to England, when the persons possessing them give up their service and retire to England.

The result, in Sir T. Munro's words, is this:—"The consequence of the conquest of India by British arms would be, in place of raising, to debase the whole people." —(Life of Sir T. Munro, page 466, quoted in Mr. Torrens' "Empire in Asia.") For every European employed beyond absolute necessity, each native capable of filling the same position is displaced in his own country. All the talent and nobility of intellect and soul, which nature gives to every country, is to India a lost treasure. There is, thus, a triple evil—loss of wealth, labour, and work to India—under the present system of administration. Whether the power of education which the British rulers are raising with the glorious object of raising the people of India, and which is day by day increasing, shall be a bulwark or weakness hereafter to the British rule, is a question of great importance. As matters stand at present, in the words of Sir Bartle Frere—"And now, wherever I go, I find the best exponents of the policy of the English Government, and the most able coadjutors in adjusting that policy to the peculiarities of the natives of India, among the ranks of the educated natives." Of the future who can say? It lies in the hands of our rulers whether this power they are raising shall continue to be their "coadjutor," or become their opponent. The merit or fault will be entirely their own.

As Sir J. Malcolm observes—"If these plans [of spreading instruction] are not associated with the creation of duties that will employ the minds which we enlighten, we shall only prepare elements that will hasten the destruction of our empire. The moral evil to us does not thus stand alone. It carries with it its Nemesis, the seeds of the destruction of the empire itself."

Pressure of Taxation.

In Lord Mayo's speech of the 3rd March 1871 (*Times of India* Summary of 8th April 1871), he endeavours to refute the assertion that Indian taxation is "crushing." The result of his comparison would appear to be that, while India pays only 1*s.* 10*d.* per head of taxation per annum, Turkey pays 7*s.* 9*d.*, Russia 12*s.* 2*d.*, Spain 18*s.* 5*d.*, Austria 19*s.* 7*d.*, and Italy 17*s.* per head per annum. The conclusion drawn is that the taxation of India is not 'crushing.' What idea His Lordship attaches to the word 'crushing' I cannot say, but he seems to forget the very first premises, that the total production of the country is admitted to be 40*s.* per head. Now, this amount is hardly enough for the bare necessaries of life, much less can it supply any comforts, or provide any reserve for bad times; so that, living from hand to mouth and that on "scanty subsistence" (in the words of Lord Lawrence), the very touch of famine carries away hundreds of thousands. Is not this in itself as 'crushing' to any people as it can possibly be? And yet out of this wretched income they have to pay taxation!

His Lordship has, moreover, left out a very important element from account. He is well aware that whatever revenue is raised by other countries—for instance, the £70,000,000 by England—the whole of it returns back to the people, and remains in the country; and, therefore, the *national capital*, upon which the power of taxation depends, does not suffer diminution; while, with India, as I have already shown, the case is quite different. Out of its poor production of 40*s.* a head, some £35,000,000 go clean out of the country, thereby diminishing its capital and labour for reproduction every year, and rendering the taxation more and more crushing.

Taking, therefore, a fair test of the incidence of taxation, the result will be that England raises £70,000,000 out of the national income of some £8,000,000,000, that is, about 9 per cent., or about £2 10*s.* per head from an income of about £30 per head; whereas the Indian Government raises £50, 00,000 out of the national income of £340,000,000, that is, about 15 per cent., or 6*s.* per head out of an income of 40*s.* per head.

But as matters stand, [illegible] has to pay not the same percentage of taxation as in England, but nearly double; *i. e.*, while [illegible] pays only about 8½ per cent. of its national income for the wants of its Government, India has to pay some 15 per cent. of its income for the same purpose; though her total income per head of population is some thirteenth part of that of England, and insufficient in itself for even its ordinary wants, leaving alone the extraordinary political necessity to pay a foreign country for its rule.

Lord Mayo calls the light taxation of the country, which he calculates at 1*s* 10*d.* a head, as a happy state of affairs. But that, in so lightly-taxed a country, to get a 6*d.* more per head without oppression should tax the highest statesmanship and intelligence without success, in itself a clear demonstration that there must be something very rotten in the state of India, and that the pressure of taxation must have already arrived short of the proverbial last straw that breaks the camel's back.

The United Kingdom pay a total revenue of about £2 10*s.* per head. India's whole production is hardly £2 a head; it pays a total revenue (less net opium) of hardly 5*s.* a head, and is unable to pay a shilling more. Why so? Short of only representation, India is governed on the same principles and system as the United Kingdom, and why such extraordinarily different results? Why should one prosper and the other perish, though similarly governed?

THE SECRETARY OF STATE AND THE VICEROY.

(Pioneer.)

The very serious character of the news telegraphed from England on Friday will be appreciated by all thinking people in India, whether they may have paid attention to the rights of the fiscal question directly at issue or not. If India is to be governed directly from England in matters of detail, the Government out here being overridden when its better knowledge may render it unwilling to accept the India Office view of any particular proposal, the country will soon be plunged in the consequences of worse blunders even, than that with which Lord Lytton seems specially commissioned to commence his reign. The success of Indian Government so far has been mainly due to the fact that it has been very little subject to direct control from England. The telegraph and the navigation of the Red Sea have now removed the physical difficulties which hitherto prevented any attempt to introduce another system. A Secretary of State, with an excessive confidence in his own views, and chosen to disregard the moral considerations which at present stay as much as ever oppose themselves to the direct Government of India from England. A collision has of course ensued as soon as the new system has fairly been tried. Economical doctrinaires have succeeded at home in establishing the theory that the Indian customs are unfair to English commerce, and that their abolition, however antagonistic at first to Protectionist prejudices here, will merely constitute one more development of the great free trade principle of which England has been the prophet, and in the universal applicability of which her foremost economists put unlimited confidence. We are not concerned to discuss the question of motives more closely, although many people talk in a loose way about pressure from Manchester having compelled the Government to adopt this measure irrespective of its merits. No doubt pressure from Manchester has been going on, but the voting power of the Government in the House is so strong, that it is gratuitous to suppose it coerced by any single interest to accept a policy in any matter opposed to its own inclinations. It is clearly manifest that Lord Salisbury has been proceeding on conviction in reference to this lamentable project, and that is all the less surprising when we remember that a man very unlike him in intellectual and political sympathies—Sir Louis Mallet—is equally *entete* in its favour, or was so when he first came to this country. A little imagination, indeed, will show how the subject looks from the English point of view, but we discard that aspect of the subject now, because it is so full of complication that we can only deal with facts separately, and we have only discountenanced the idea that there is any conscious sacrifice of Indian interests in this matter, because the more honest Lord Salisbury's convictions are, the more deplorable, in one away, is the action he seems to have taken in respect to the cotton duties. If his determination had been recklessly formed in obedience to political interest, one might hope that a Secretary of State of such abnormal immorality would not often appear above the horizon; also that a Government reduced to such extremities could not last long. But in the case before us we find a statesman of passionately high principle who threw up office by the by on a former celebrated occasion, rather than depart a hair's breadth from his convictions—introducing into the Indian Government this disastrous system of binding its policy even in matters of detail into harmony with his raw English notions of oriental administration. We cannot imagine a worse precedent, and serious as the blunder actually before us will be in its effect on the feelings of the educated classes in India, still worse mistakes may readily be made if future Viceroys consent to accept the position Lord Salisbury now endeavours to force upon them. In truth, the position of a Viceroy, after he has once been established in India for some little time, ought to be so strong as to make him in a certain degree independent of the Secretary of State. In the present crisis the mischief to India ensues from the unfortunate coincidence between Lord Northbrook's resignation—inevitably followed by the appointment to this country of a new Viceroy, with no Indian experience of his own to go upon, and the staggering blow to prestige dealt by Lord Salisbury of his right as Secretary of State. Had Lord Northbrook been remaining in office, he could have continuously maintained a policy of masterly inactivity, let the Secretary of State bluster to any extent he pleased. Of course, the Secretary of State is the superior officer and can any time fire off his one big shot at the Viceroy. He can recall him. But this shot is the prodigious knowledge of facts that his work here must always give him, must get an argumentative victory over a Secretary of State in Parliament, that practically, as we say, every Secretary of State would shrink from recalling a Viceroy merely because he was intractable. In a quarrel with a Secretary of State about a matter of administration, a Viceroy thus becomes the champion of India. For the sake of India he should hold out, put the Secretary of State's angry despatches in the fire, and take his own course. However, in the present case we shall be unlucky enough to have a new Viceroy who cannot but be pliable to the Secretary of State for a time by reason of deficient Indian experience,—however good a man he might be, or however likely to build up views of his own before he has been here long,—and operating on him a *subberdustee* Secretary of State. The combination is most unfortunate.

THE "PEKING GAZETTE."

(The China Mail.)

The "Father of Newspapers"—for there is no possible doubt that the *Peking Gazette* is actually the most ancient periodical in the world, having been issued, with some few exceptions, almost daily for close upon a thousand years—has, we observe, begun to justify the old adage that "it's a long lane that has no turning." It has been a very long lane indeed with the *Peking Gazette*. Empires have risen and fallen, Continents have been discovered, the crescent has finally paled before the cross; within the vast bounds of the Empire owing the sway of Peking, dynasties have established themselves, have flourished and decayed. War, pestilence and famine, inundations and rebellions have devastated its territories; Christianity has been introduced, and again almost exterminated. The visitors from the "barbarous" West have forced their way, not merely to the capital, but to the very presence chamber of the Son of Heaven himself. And amidst the wreck of surrounding kingdoms, and the vast changes wrought in the most ancient land where Confucius lived and taught, a little unambitious, scrubby-looking sheet (something like a penny Jack the Giant-killer without the illustrations,) has, day after day, communicated to the outer people the will of the mysterious occupant of the Dragon throne ever since the time of the Saxon Heptarchy. Despite its uninviting appearance (we speak of the provincial not the written edition) we must own to a considerable amount of respect for our ugly little contemporary. It has recorded events in the long-forgotten past to which the stirring matters recorded in the *Times* of to-day are but mere straws on the river of time. It was read when Kublai Khan was the terror of the Western world. It probably recorded, in its dry business-like way, the Sardanapalus-like suicide of the Last of the Mings. To how many millions of human beings it has been a source of joy or sorrow it were bootless to enquire. Every official promotion and degradation of any importance has been notified in its columns for centuries. Truly, it is the Nestor of periodicals.

That the *Peking Gazette* is not a new paper, is a matter which many find it hard to understand, while others make the fact a matter of complaint. But in sober truth it does not seem that it is designed to do very well, nor under the most advanced regime could it be much else than it now is. In one respect only could it as an authoritative document, be much improved—we speak, not of its outward appearance but of its literary contents—and in that respect a change is coming over it. It has hitherto been the province to omit all that there was not room for, and hence "missing links" of some little piece of local history thus became frequent. About the 20th December last, however, a new feature appeared in the *Gazette*. In addition to the memorials and decrees printed in full, and the routine notices which are given habitually, it began to give a short abstract of memorials of minor importance; for which there would obviously not be room *in extenso*, within its circumscribed limits. These appear under the heading *fah ch'ao* (documents issued for publication), and, though obviously resorted to as a means of embodying useful facts which it was convenient to record, do undoubtedly give the *Gazette*, as the *News* puts it, "the first faint resemblance of a newspaper." Whether it is desirable to carry this resemblance any further is open to question. We should ourselves prefer to see the *Gazette* remain essentially as it is, with improved typography, and a generally better appearance. But we can see no objection to the establishment of an avowedly official organ, in the pay of or actually directed by members of the Government. For some years yet to come such a publication would serve a most useful purpose—precisely that which the *Moscow Gazette* serves in Russia, the *Norddeutsche Allgemeine Zeitung* (Prince Bismarck's organ) in Germany, or the official *Moniteur* in France. The objection to an official press commences only when journals pretend to an independence they have not, or enter the lists of that mischievous class known as "semi-official" or "inspired." We much want in China something that shall express in a way less private than despatches or less cumbrous than memorials and edicts, the views of the higher class officials. No doubt they would just as often hide their hands with such a journal as without one. But is not this done in Europe? And yet an article in one of the papers we have mentioned, will excite all Europe for a week. The advantage would be gained, not when there was anything important to be withheld, but when there was no reason to affect diplomacy, while it would otherwise be impossible to let the world know what they thought. China is progressing fast enough towards a free press. Private enterprise will take good care of that; and with the peculiar notions as yet entertained Chinese by writers of what is allowable criticism, it would be impossible to fuse an "inspired" with an even moderately independent sheet. We commend the idea we have sketched to the attention of the native authorities.

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